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2	b	OCTAVE OF ST. STEPHEN, D.M.	D.
3	c	OCTAVE OF ST. JOHN, AP. EVAN.	D.
4	d	OCT. OF H. INNOCENTS, MM. *St. Titus of Crete, Bp. Cf.	D. D.
5	e	Eve of the Epiphany.	S. D.
6	f	Epiphany of our Lord, with an Octave.	D. 1 Cl.
7	g	Of the Octave.	S. D.
8	A	Of the Octave. Com. of ST. LUCIAN, Pr. M. and his Companions.	S. D.
9	b	Of the Octave.	S. D.
10	c	Of the Octave.	S. D.
11	d	Of the Octave.	S. D.
12	e	Of the Octave.	S. D.
13	f	OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY. Commem.	D.
14	g	[of ST. HILARY, Bp. Cf.	
15	A	*St. Paul, the first Hermit.*	D.
16	b		
17	c	*St. Anthony, Abbat.*	D.
18	d	ST. PRISCA, V. M.	D.
19	e	*St. Wolstan, Bp. Cf.*	D.
20	f	SS. FABIAN and SEBASTIAN, MM.	D.
21	g	ST. AGNES, V. M.	D.
22	A	ST. VINCENT, M.	S. D.
23	b		
24	c	ST. TIMOTHY, Bp. M.	S. D.
25	d	Conversion of St. Paul, Ap.	Gr. D.
26	e	ST. POLYCARP, Bp. M.	D.
27	f	ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, Abp. Cf. D.	D.
28	g		
29	A	*St. Francis of Sales, Bp. Cf.*	D.
30	b		
31	c		

* On the first free day.

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FEBRUARY

1	d	ST. BRIDGET, V. Vigil.	S.
2	e	Purification of B. V. Mary.	D. 2 Cl.
3	f	ST. BLASIUS, Bp. M.	S.
4	g	*St. Gilbert of Sempringham, Abbat.*	S.
5	A	ST. AGATHA, V. M.	D.
6	b	*St. Dorothea, V. M.*	S.
7	c		
8	d		
9	e	*St. Apollonia, V. M.*	S.
10	f	*St. Scholastica, V.*	D.
11	g		
12	A		
13	b		
14	c	ST. VALENTINE, M. Pr.	S.
15	d		
16	e		
17	f		
18	g	*St. Colman, Bp. Cf.*	S. D.
19	A		
20	b		
21	c		
22	d		
23	e	Vigil of St. Matthias, Ap.	
24	f	St. Matthias, Ap.*	D. 2 Cl.
25	g		
26	A		
27	b		
28	c		

* In leap year on the 25th.

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MARCH

1	d	St. David, Abp. Cf.	D.
2	e	St. Chad, Bp. Cf.	D.
3	f		
4	g		
5	A		
6	b		
7	c	SS. Perpetua and Felicitas, MM.	S.
8	d		
9	e		
10	f		
11	g		
12	A	St. Gregory, P. Cf. D.	D.
13	b		
14	c		
15	d		
16	e		
17	f	St. Patrick, Bp. Cf.	D.
18	g	St. Edward, K. M.	D.
19	A	St. Joseph, Cf.	D. 2 Cl.
20	b	St. Cuthbert, Bp. Cf.	D.
21	c	St. Benedict, Abbat.	D.
22	d		
23	e		
24	f	Vigil.	
25	g	Annunciation of B. V. Mary.	D. 2 Cl.
26	A		
27	b		
28	c		
29	d		
30	e		
31	f		

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APRIL

1	g	*St. Gilbert, Bp. Cf.**	D.
2	A	*St. Francis of Paula, Cf.*	D.
3	b	ST. RICHARD, Bp. Cf.	D.
4	c	ST. AMBROSE, Bp. Cf. D.	D.
5	d		
6	e		
7	f		
8	g		
9	A		
10	b		
11	c	*St. Leo, Bp. Cf. D.*	D.
12	d		
13	e		
14	f		
15	g		
16	A		
17	b		
18	c		
19	d	ST. ALPHEGE, Abp. M.	S.
20	e	*St. Serf, Bp. Cf.*	S. D.
21	f	*St. Anselm, Bp. Cf. D.*	D.
22	g		
23	A	ST. GEORGE, M. Patron of England.	D. 1 Cl.
24	b		
25	c	St. Mark, Ev.	D. 2 Cl.
26	d		
27	e		
28	f		
29	g		
30	A		

* This and some other commemorations are proper to the Church of Scotland.

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MAY

1	b	SS. Philip and James, App.	D. 2 Cl.
2	c	*St. Athanasius, Bp. Cf. D.*	D.
3	d	Invention of the Holy Cross.	D. 2 Cl.
4	e	*St. Monica, Widow.*	D.
5	f		
6	g	St. John ante Port. Lat.	Gr. D.
7	A	*St. John of Beverley, Bp. Cf.*	S.
8	b		
9	c	*St. Gregory of Nazianzum, Bp. Cf. D.*	D.
10	d		
11	e		
12	f	*St. Pancras, M.*	S.
13	g		
14	A		
15	b		
16	c		
17	d		
18	e		
19	f	St. Dunstan, Abp. Cf.	D.
20	g		
21	A		
22	b		
23	c		
24	d		
25	e	*St. Aldhelm, Bp. Cf.*	S.
26	f	St. Augustine, Abp. Cf. Ap. of England.	D. 2 Cl.
27	g	Venerable Bede, Pr. Cf. D.	D.
28	A	*St. Germanus of Paris, Bp. C.*	S.
29	b		
30	c		
31	d	*St. Petronilla, V.*	S.

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JUNE

1	e	ST. NICOMEDE, Pr. M.	S.
2	f	*SS. Pothinus, Bp., Blandina, V., and their*	S.
3	g	[*Companions, MM.*	
4	A		
5	b	ST. BONIFACE, Bp., and his Companions.	D.
6	c	[MM.	
7	d		
8	e	*St. William of York, Bp Cf.*	S.
9	f	*St. Columba, Abp. Cf.*	S.
10	g	*Translation of St. Margaret of Scotland, Q.*	S. D.
11	A	St. Barnabas, Ap.	D. 2 Cl.
12	b		
13	c		
14	d	ST. BASIL, Abp. Cf. D.	D.
15	e		
16	f		
17	g	ST. ALBAN, Protomartyr of England.	Gr. D.
18	A		
19	b	*SS. Gervase and Protase, MM.*	S.
20	c	TRANSLATION OF ST. EDWARD, K.M.	S.
21	d		
22	e		
23	f	Vigil of St. John Baptist.	
24	g	Nativity of St. John Baptist, with an Oct.	D. 1 Cl.
25	A	Of the Octave.	S. D.
26	b	Of the Octave.	S. D.
27	c	Of the Octave.	S. D.
28	d	Vigil of SS. Peter and Paul, App.	
29	e	SS. Peter and Paul, App. with an Octave.	D. 1 Cl.
30	f	COMMEMORATION OF ST. PAUL, Ap.	D.

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JULY

1	g	OCTAVE OF ST. JOHN BAPTIST.	D.
2	A	Visitation of B. V. Mary.*	D. 2 Cl.
3	b	Of the Octave of the Apostles.	S. D.
4	c	TRANSLATION OF ST. MARTIN, Bp. Cf.	D.
5	d	Of the Octave of the Apostles.	S. D.
6	e	OCTAVE OF SS. PETER and PAUL, App.	D.
7	f	TRANSLATION OF ST. THOMAS, Abp. M.	Gr. D.
8	g		
9	A	OCTAVE OF VISITATION of B. V. MARY.	D.
10	b		
11	c		
12	d		
13	e		
14	f	*St. Bonaventure, Bp. Cf. D.*	D.
15	g	TRANS. OF ST. SWITHUN, Bp. Cf. and his Companions.	D.
16	A	TRANSLATION OF ST. OSMUND, Bp. Cf.	D.
17	b		
18	c	*St. Thomas Aquinas, Pr. Cf. D.*	D.
19	d	*St. Vincent of Paul, Cf.*	D.
20	e	ST. MARGARET, V. M.	S.
21	f		
22	g	ST. MARY MAGDALENE.	D.
23	A		
24	b	Vigil of St. James, Ap.	
25	c	St. James, Ap.	D. 2 Cl.
26	d	ST. ANNE, Mother of B. V. Mary.	Gr. D.
27	e		
28	f		
29	g	*St. Martha, V.*	S. D.
30	A		
31	b	*St. Germanus of Auxerre, Bp. Cf. Com-* [*mem. of St. Ignatius Loyola, Pr. Cf.*	S. D.

* With an Octave according to Sarum.

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AUGUST

1	c	St. Peter's Chains or Lammas Day. *Com-*	Gr. D.
2	d	[*mem. of the holy Maccabees, MM.*	
3	e		
4	f	ST. DOMINIC, Cf. Ab.	D.
5	g	ST. OSWALD, K. M.	S.
6	A	Transfiguration of our Lord.	Gr. D.
7	b	Holy Name of Jesus.*	Gr. D.
8	c		
9	d		
10	e	ST. LAWRENCE, M.	D. 2 Cl.
11	f		
12	g	*St. Clara, V.*	D.
13	A		
14	b	Vigil of Assumption of B. V. Mary.	
15	c	Assumption of B. V. Mary, with an Oct.†	D. 1 Cl.
16	d	Of the Octave.	S. D.
17	e	Of the Octave.	S. D.
18	f	Of the Octave.	S. D.
19	g	Of the Octave.	S. D.
20	A	ST. BERNARD, Cf. Ab. D.	D.
21	b	*St. Jane Frances of Chantal, Widow.* Commem. of the Octave.	D.
22	c	OCTAVE OF ASSUMPTION OF B. V. MARY.	D.
23	d	Vigil of St. Bartholomew, Ap.	
24	e	St. Bartholomew, Ap.	D. 2 Cl.
25	f	*St. Louis of France, K. Cf.*	S. D.
26	g		
27	A		
28	b	ST. AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO. Bp. Cf. D.	D.
29	c	Beheading of St. John Baptist.	Gr. D.
30	d		
31	e		

* With an Octave according to Sarum.
† Also called the Repose of B. V. Mary.

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SEPTEMBER

1	f	ST. GILES, Cf. Ab.	S.
2	g	*St. Lazarus, raised from the dead.*	S.
3	A		
4	b		
5	c		
6	d		
7	e	ST. EVURTIUS, Bp. Cf.	S.
8	f	Nativity of B. V. Mary.*	D. 2. Cl.
9	g		
10	A		
11	b		
12	c		
13	d		
14	e	Exaltation of the Holy Cross.	Gr. D.
15	f	OCT. OF THE NATIVITY OF B. V. MARY.	D.
16	g	*St. Ninian, Bp. Cf.*	S.
17	A	ST. LAMBERT, Bp. M.	S.
18	b		
19	c		
20	d	Vigil of St. Matthew, Ap. Ev.	
21	e	St. Matthew, Ap. Ev.	D. 2 Cl.
22	f	*St. Maurice and his Companions, MM.*	S.
23	g	ST. THECLA, V. not M.	S.
24	A		
25	b		
26	c	ST. CYPRIAN, Abp. M.	S.
27	d	*SS. Cosmas and Damian, MM.*	S.
28	e		
29	f	St. Michael and all Angels.	D. 2 Cl.
30	g	ST. JEROME, Pr. Cf. D.	D.

* With an Octave according to Sarum, and Western Use generally.

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OCTOBER

1	A	ST. REMIGIUS, Bp. Cf.	S. D.
2	b	HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS.	D.
3	c	*St. Thomas of Hereford, Bp. Cf.*	S.
4	d	ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, Cf. Ab.	D.
5	e		
6	f	ST. FAITH, V. M. Commem. of St. Bruno, [Cf.	S.
7	g		
8	A		
9	b	ST. DENYS, Bp., and his Companions, MM.	S.D.
10	c	*St. Paulinus of York, Bp. Cf.*	S.
11	d		
12	e	*St. Wilfrid, Bp. Cf.*	S.
13	f	TRANSLATION OF ST. EDWARD, K. Cf.	S D.
14	g		
15	A	ST. THERESA, V.	D.
16	b		
17	c	ST. ETHELDREDA, Q. V. Abbess.	S.
18	d	St. Luke, Ev.	D. 2 Cl.
19	e	*St. Frideswide, V.*	S.
20	f		
21	g	*St. Ursula and her Companions, VV. MM.*	S.
22	A		
23	b		
24	c		
25	d	SS. CRISPIN and CRISPINIAN, MM.	D.
26	e		
27	f	Vigil of SS. Simon and Jude, App.	
28	g	SS. Simon and Jude, App.	D. 2 Cl.
29	A		
30	b		
31	c	Vigil of All Saints.	

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NOVEMBER

1	d	All Saints, with an Octave.	D. 1 Cl.
2	e	COMMEMORATION OF ALL SOULS.	D.
3	f	ST. WENEFRED, V. M.	S.
4	g	ST. CHARLES BORROMEO, Bp. Cf.	D.
5	A	Of the Octave.	S. D.
6	b	ST. LEONARD, Cf. Ab.	S. D.
7	c	*St. Willibrord, Bp. Cf.* Comm. of the Oct.	S. D.
8	d	OCTAVE OF ALL SAINTS.	D.
9	e		
10	f		
11	g	ST. MARTIN, Bp. Cf.	D.
12	A		
13	b	ST. BRITIUS, Bp. Cf.	S.
14	c	*Translation of St. Erkenwald, Bp. Cf.*	S.
15	d	ST. MACHUTUS, Bp.	S.
16	e	*St. Edmund, Bp. Cf.*	D.
17	f	ST. HUGH, Bp.	D.
18	g		
19	A	*St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Widow.*	D.
20	b	ST. EDMUND, K. M.	Gr. D.
21	c	Presentation of B. V. Mary.	Gr. D.
22	d	ST. CECILIA, V. M.	D.
23	e	ST. CLEMENT, Bp. M.	D.
24	f	*St. John of the Cross, Cf.*	D.
25	g	ST. KATHERINE, V. M.	D.
26	A	*St. Linus, Bp. M.*	D.
27	b	*St. Ode, V.*	S. D.
28	c		
29	d	Vigil of St. Andrew, Ap.	
30	e	St. Andrew, Ap.*	D. 2 Cl.

* With an Octave according to Sarum.

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Preparation for Celebration and Communion.

Antiphon. Remember not.

This Antiphon is doubled on Double Festivals.

Psalm LXXXIV.

Quam dilecta.

O how amiable are Thy dwellings : Thou Lord of hosts !

My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord : my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young : even Thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house : they will be alway praising Thee.

Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee : in whose heart are Thy ways.

Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well : and the pools are filled with water.

They will go from strength to strength : and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer : hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold, O God, our defender : and look upon the face of Thine anointed.

For one day in Thy courts : is better than a thousand.

I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God : than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a light and defence : the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall He withhold from them that live a godly life.

O Lord God of hosts : blessed is the man that putteth his trust in Thee.

Glory be to the Father.

Psalm LXXXV.

Benedixisti.

Lord, Thou art become gracious unto Thy land : Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

Thou hast forgiven the offence of Thy people : and covered all their sins.

Thou hast taken away all

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Thy displeasure : and turned Thyself from Thy wrathful indignation.

Turn us then, O God our Saviour : and let Thine anger cease from us.

Wilt Thou be displeased at us for ever : and wilt Thou stretch out Thy wrath from one generation to another ?

Wilt Thou not turn again, and quicken us : that Thy people may rejoice in Thee ?

Show us Thy mercy, O Lord : and grant us Thy salvation.

I will hearken what the Lord God will say concerning me : for He shall speak peace unto His people, and to His saints, that they turn not again.

For His salvation is nigh them that fear Him : that glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth are met together : righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall flourish out of the earth : and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.

Yea, the Lord shall show loving-kindness : and our land shall give her increase.

Righteousness shall go before Him : and He shall direct His going in the way.

Glory be to the Father.

Psalm LXXXVI.

Inclina.

Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear me : for I am poor, and in misery.

Preserve Thou my soul, for I am holy : my God, save Thy servant that putteth his trust in Thee.

Be merciful unto me, O Lord : for I will call daily upon Thee.

Comfort the soul of Thy servant : for unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

For Thou, Lord, art good and gracious : and of great mercy unto all them that call upon Thee.

Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer : and ponder the voice of my humble desires.

In the time of my trouble I will call upon Thee : for Thou hearest me.

Among the gods there is none like unto Thee, O Lord : there is not one that can do as Thou doest.

All nations whom Thou hast made shall come and worship Thee, O Lord : and shall glorify Thy Name.

For Thou art great, and doest wondrous things : Thou art God alone.

Teach me Thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in Thy truth : O knit my heart unto Thee, that I may fear Thy Name.

I will thank Thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart : and will praise Thy Name for evermore.

For great is Thy mercy toward me : and Thou hast delivered my soul from the nethermost hell.

O God, the proud are risen against me : and the congre-

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gations of naughty men have sought after my soul, and have not set Thee before their eyes.

But Thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy : long-suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.

O turn Thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me : give Thy strength unto Thy servant, and help the son of Thine handmaid.

Show some token upon me for good, that they who hate me may see it, and be ashamed : because Thou, Lord, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

Glory be to the Father.

Psalm CXVI. v. 10.

Credidi.

I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled : I said in my haste, All men are liars.

What reward shall I give unto the Lord : for all the benefits that He hath done unto me?

I will receive the cup of salvation : and call upon the Name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows now in the presence of all His people : right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

Behold, O Lord, how that I am Thy servant : I am Thy servant, and the son of Thine handmaid; Thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

I will offer to Thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows unto the Lord in the sight of all His people : in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem.

Glory be to the Father.

Psalm CXXX.

De profundis.

Out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord : Lord, hear my voice.

O let Thine ears consider well : the voice of my complaint.

If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss : O Lord, who may abide it?

For there is mercy with Thee : therefore shalt Thou be feared.

I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for Him : in His word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord : before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy : and with Him is plenteous redemption.

And He shall redeem Israel : from all his sins.

Glory be to the Father.

Ant. Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers : neither take Thou vengeance of our sins.

In Easter-tide Alleluia *is added.*

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Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father. ℣. And lead us not into temptation. ℟. But deliver us from evil.

℣. I said, Lord, have mercy upon me. ℟. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

℣. Turn Thee again, O Lord, at the last. ℟. And be gracious unto Thy servants.

℣. Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be showed upon us. ℟. As we do put our trust in Thee.

℣. Let Thy priests be clothed with righteousness. ℟. And Thy saints sing with joyfulness.

℣. Cleanse me, O Lord, from my secret faults. ℟. And keep Thy servant from presumptuous sins.

℣. O Lord, hear my prayer. ℟. And let my cry come unto Thee.

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Most gracious God, incline Thy merciful ears to our prayers, and enlighten our hearts by the grace of the Holy Ghost: that we may worthily minister at Thy holy Mysteries, and love Thee with an everlasting love.

Almighty God, unto Whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from Whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy Name.

Inflame, O Lord, our reins and our hearts with the fire of the Holy Ghost: that we may serve Thee with a chaste body, and please Thee with a clean heart.

We beseech Thee, O Lord, that the Comforter, Which proceedeth from Thee, may enlighten our minds: and lead us, as Thy Son hath promised, into all truth.

We beseech Thee, O Lord, let the power of the Holy Ghost be with us: both mercifully to cleanse our hearts, and also to defend us from all adversities.

God, Who didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort.

Purify our consciences, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by Thy visitation: that our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son, when He cometh, may find in us a mansion prepared for Himself, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

For additional Daily Prayers of Preparation see page 7.

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Thanksgiving after Celebration and Communion.

Antiphon. Let us sing the song.

This Antiphon is doubled on Double Feasts; and in Easter-tide Alleluia *shall be added.*

* THE SONG OF THE THREE CHILDREN.

Benedicite.

O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise Him, and magnify Him for ever.

O ye Angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : O ye heavens, bless ye the Lord.

O ye waters that be above the firmament, bless ye the Lord : O all ye powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord.

O ye sun and moon, bless ye the Lord : O ye stars of heaven, bless ye the Lord.

O ye showers and dew, bless ye the Lord : O ye winds of God, bless ye the Lord.

O ye fire and heat, bless ye the Lord : O ye winter and summer, bless ye the Lord.

O ye dews, and frosts, bless ye the Lord : O ye frost and cold, bless ye the Lord.

O ye ice and snow, bless ye the Lord : O ye nights and days, bless ye the Lord.

O ye light and darkness, bless ye the Lord : O ye lightnings and clouds, bless ye the Lord.

O let the earth bless the Lord : yea, let it praise Him, and magnify Him for ever.

O ye mountains and hills, bless ye the Lord : O all ye green things upon the earth, bless ye the Lord.

O ye wells, bless ye the Lord : O ye seas and floods, bless ye the Lord.

O ye whales, and all that move in the waters, bless ye the Lord : O all ye fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord.

O all ye beasts and cattle, bless ye the Lord : O ye children of men, bless ye the Lord.

O let Israel bless the Lord : praise Him, and magnify Him for ever.

* O ye priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : O ye servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord.

O ye spirits and souls of the righteous, bless ye the

* *You may either begin at the beginning of the Song, or from the verse,* O ye priests; *if from the latter, add the Song of Simeon.*

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Lord : O ye holy and humble men of heart, bless ye the Lord.

O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, bless ye the Lord : praise Him, and magnify Him for ever.

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, with the Holy Ghost : let us praise and magnify Him for ever.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, in the firmament of Heaven : and worthy to be praised, and glorious, and exalted above all for ever.

Psalm CL.

Laudate Dominum.

O praise God in His holiness : praise Him in the firmament of His power.

Praise Him in His noble acts : praise Him according to His excellent greatness.

Praise Him in the sound of the trumpet : praise Him upon the lute and harp.

Praise Him in the cymbals and dances : praise Him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise Him upon the well-tuned cymbals : praise Him upon the loud cymbals.

Let every thing that hath breath : praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father.

Song of Simeon.

Nunc dimittis.

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace : according to Thy word.

For mine eyes have seen : Thy salvation.

Which Thou hast prepared : before the face of all people ;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles : and to be the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father.

Ant. Let us sing the song of the Three Children, which these Saints sang in the furnace of fire, blessing the Lord.

In Eastertide Alleluia *shall be added.*

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father. ℣. And lead us not into temptation. ℟. But deliver us from evil.

℣. All Thy works praise Thee, O Lord. ℟. And Thy saints give thanks unto Thee.

℣. Thy saints shall exult in glory. ℟. They shall rejoice in their beds.

℣. Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us. ℟. But unto Thy Name give the glory.

℣. O Lord, hear my prayer. ℟. And let my cry come unto Thee.

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O God, Who didst to the Three Children assuage the flames of fire : mercifully grant, that the flames of sin may not kindle upon us Thy servants.

Prevent us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favour, and further us with Thy continual help : that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in

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Thee, we may glorify Thy holy Name, and finally, by Thy mercy, obtain everlasting life.

Grant us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the grace to quench the flames of our sins: as Thou didst endue the blessed Laurence with power to overcome the fires of his torments. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For additional Daily Prayers of Thanksgiving see page 10.

ADDITIONAL PRAYERS OF PREPARATION BEFORE, AND THANKSGIVING AFTER, COMMUNION, AS WELL AS FOR A PRIEST BEFORE AND AFTER CELEBRATING, FOR EACH DAY IN THE WEEK.

Sunday.

PREPARATION.

1. *Direct your intention.* O most high and most mighty God! I, an unworthy sinner, desire to worship at these holy Mysteries, and to receive the same, of the Body and Blood of Thy Son, to the praise and glory of Thy divine Majesty; in memory of the most holy life, passion, and death of Jesus Christ, my Saviour; in thanksgiving for all Thy gifts and benefits bestowed on me, a most unworthy sinner, and upon Thy whole Church; in satisfaction for my numberless sins, for my salvation and that of (*add the names of those whom you desire to bring before God*); for the consolation of the departed (especially . . . . .). Truly in Thee alone, O Lord, is all that can satisfy the desire of my heart. Whom have I in heaven but Thee, and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of Thee. Thou Thyself wilt be my exceeding great reward.

2. *Make an act of contrition.* But with the Sacrifice and Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Thy Son, my Saviour, I humbly offer to Thee, my Lord, the sacrifice of a troubled spirit, a broken and contrite heart. I grieve from my inmost heart, that I have ever offended Thee, my God, my chiefest Good, Who art so gracious to me, and so often dost refresh me in this Sacrament, by my sin, especially (. . . .) which Thou knowest, O Searcher of hearts, and which I, a miserable sinner, confess with grief, in the bitterness of my soul. Would that I had

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never offended Thee! But a broken and contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise, since Thou, for love of us, hast given Thine Only-begotten Son to wash us from our sins in His own Blood.

3. *Make an act of faith.* Of a truth I firmly believe, O good Jesu, and with lively faith confess, that Thou Thyself, equal to God the Father in glory and power, true God and true Man, art verily and indeed present in this Sacrament. For Thou, Who art the Truth, hast said: This is My Body, This is My Blood. I believe whatsoever the Son of God hath spoken; nothing can be truer than the word of Him Who is the Truth. Lord, I believe, help Thou mine unbelief, increase my faith.

4. *Make an act of hope.* O Christ Jesus, I am sinful dust and ashes, but Thou art the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; and Thou callest to Thee all them that labour and are heavy laden, that Thou mayest refresh them. Art not Thou my refuge? To whom else should I go? Thou alone hast the words of eternal life: Thou only comfortest me in all my trouble. I am indeed weak and sick, but Thou art my health: they that are whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. If the shadow of Peter passing by healed the sick, should I not trust that when Thou comest under my roof, and dwellest in me with the fulness of Thy Divinity, I shall be healed of my sickness? I will arise therefore and go to my Father, my physician, and my refuge: hoping that this Communion may be to me the increase of faith, hope, and love; the firm defence against the snares of my enemies; the putting to flight of evil thoughts; the rooting out of this defect and fault of (. . . .); the bringing to good effect of works well pleasing to Thee, and especially the obtaining the virtue of (. . . .); and a pledge of future glory. This is the hope which I have laid up in my heart; for Thou art pitiful and of tender mercy, and most faithful in all Thy promises.

5. *Make an act of love.* O most sweet Saviour, Jesus Christ, how great was Thy love which drew Thee from the bosom of the Father to this valley of tears, to take human flesh; to endure infinite miseries, injuries, even the death of the Cross; and that only for us sinful men, and for our salvation—O how great was Thy love! Thou mightest have condemned us, and Thou didst choose to save us! We were guilty, and Thou, the innocent One, didst endure our punishment, to set us free! From love it was that Thou camest down to take our flesh, and when

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about to depart from this world to the Father, Thou didst leave us this Sacrament, as a pledge of love; that after a wholly new and wonderful manner Thou mightest abide with us for ever, Thou Whose delights are to be with the sons of men. O Lord, how worthy Thou art of love, Who dost so much for love of us! Therefore I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength, my refuge, and my deliverer. O God, Thou art love! he that abideth in love, abideth in Thee. I desire to receive Thee in this Sacrament, that I may be more firmly joined to Thee in the bond of love. Who shall separate me from the love of Christ, my Saviour? O that neither life, nor death, nor future lot, nor any other creature may be able to separate me from Thy love!

6. *Make an act of humility.* But how shall I dare to approach Thee? Art not Thou, O God, my Lord, my Creator, my Redeemer, the King of heaven and earth? And what am I? A poor worm of earth, dust and ashes, and, what is more unworthy still, so often a disobedient and ungrateful sinner against Thee. Of a truth, Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest enter under my roof: yet remember, O Lord, that although Thou wast Lord of all, Thou didst take upon Thee the form of a servant, and come to us, and converse familiarly with publicans and sinners; and lastly didst humble Thyself even to the death of the Cross. Let that humility of Thine move Thee, I beseech Thee, not to despise me, worthless and humble as I am, but do Thou graciously come to me, and receive me with Thy favour and goodness when I come unto Thee.

7. *Ask for grace.* O eternal Father, by the merits of Thy Son, grant me grace worthily (*if a priest*, to celebrate the Sacrifice, and) to receive, not only the Sacrament, but also the substance and virtue of the Sacrament. I offer to Thee the humility and holiness of the ever blessed Virgin Mary, the fervour and devotion, the prayers and good deeds of Thy Saints, to fill up that which is lacking in me.

O Lord Jesus, be merciful to me a sinner; and grant that I may so worthily be a partaker of the mysteries of Thy Body and Blood that I may obtain thence abundant fruit, and strength against all the assaults of the world, the flesh, and the devil; that I may flee from all vices, and especially (. . . .); that I may diligently practice those virtues which are specially necessary for my state of life, love, purity, humility, &c., and study to serve Thee day by day more faithfully.

O God, the Holy Ghost, let Thy power be with me, that,

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mercifully cleansing my heart, Thou mayest prepare in me, as once Thou didst in the blessed Virgin Mary, a habitation meet and worthy for Christ the Lord. Amen.

8. *Prayer of St. Ambrose.* O great High Priest, the true Priest, Jesus Christ, Who didst offer Thyself to God the Father, a pure and spotless Victim, upon the altar of the Cross for us miserable sinners, and didst give us Thy Flesh to eat and Thy Blood to drink, ordaining that great Mystery in the power of the Holy Ghost, saying: As often as ye shall do this, do it in remembrance of Me; I entreat Thee by that same Blood of Thine, the great price of our salvation: I entreat Thee by that wonderful and unspeakable love, wherewith Thou hast vouchsafed so to love us miserable and unworthy, that Thou wouldest wash us from our sins in Thy Blood. (*To be said only by a priest.* Teach me, Thy unworthy servant, whom among Thine other gifts, not for any merits of mine, but of the condescension of Thy mercy only, Thou hast vouchsafed to call to the office of the priesthood: teach me, I pray Thee, by Thy Holy Spirit, to handle so great a Mystery with such reverence and honour, such devotion and fear, as are due and fitting.) Make me, through Thy grace, always so to believe and understand, to feel and firmly to hold, to speak and think, concerning so great a Mystery, what is pleasing to Thee, and for the good of my own soul. Let Thy good Spirit enter into my heart, there noiselessly to sound, and without utterance of words to speak all truth. For indeed exceeding deep are these Mysteries, and concealed beneath a holy veil. (Grant me, for Thy great mercy's sake, to celebrate the solemnity of the Mass with a clean heart and a pure mind.) Free my heart from all defiling and unholy, from all vain and hurtful thoughts. Defend me with the loving and faithful guardianship, and mighty protection of Thy blessed Angels, that the enemies of all good may go away in confusion. By the virtue of this so great Mystery, and by the hand of Thy holy Angel, drive far away from me, and from all Thy servants, the obstinate spirit of pride and vain-glory, of envy and blasphemy, of fornication and uncleanness, of doubt and mistrust. Let them be confounded that persecute me: let them perish that make haste to destroy me. Amen.

Sunday.

THANKSGIVING.

9. *Worship and magnify the Lord.* O Jesu, sweetest Guest, mayest Thou have

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come happily to me, Thy poor and humble servant. Mayest Thou have entered blessedly under this mean and narrow roof. Blessed and exalted above all art Thou, that hast come into my heart, the dayspring from on high.

O King of peace, drive far away from my heart and mind the crowd of vain and idle thoughts, that my soul may be able to think of Thee, to dwell on and love Thee only, the Author of peace. What, beside Thee, O Thou peace, the calm and sweetness of my heart, should my soul seek for and enjoy?

O fount of everlasting love, how can I forget Thee, Who hast vouchsafed to remember me, and to give Thyself to me? Thou hast had mercy upon Thy servant, far beyond all my hope; and shewn Thy grace and kindness beyond all my desert. What reward shall I give unto Thee for this Thy goodness?

O would that I could serve Thee all the days of my life! Would that even for one day, I could render Thee sufficient and worthy service! For of a truth Thou art worthy of all service, all honour and never-ending praise. Of a truth Thou art my Lord, and I Thy poor and humble servant, that am bound with all my strength to serve Thee, and never ought I to be weary of Thy praises. This is my will, this is my desire, and whatsoever is wanting in me, do Thou vouchsafe to supply.

Grant me Thy grace, most kind Jesus, that it may be with me, and work with me, even unto the end. Grant me ever to desire and will what is most acceptable and well-pleasing unto Thee. Let Thy will be mine, and my will ever follow Thine, and be in perfect agreement with it. Be it unto me in union with Thee to will and not to will, so may I never wish or not wish aught but what Thou willest and willest not.

Grant me to die to all things that are in the world, and for Thy sake to love to be despised and unknown in this life. Grant me, above all objects of desire, to rest in Thee, and to make my heart at peace in Thee. Thou art the true peace of the heart, Thou its only rest; and out of Thee all is hard and restless. In this peace, that is, in Thee alone, my chiefest and everlasting good, I will sleep on and take my rest. Amen.

10. *Give thanks.* What shall I render unto Thee, O Lord Jesus, for all the benefits that Thou hast done unto me, especially to-day? Taking thought for me, Thou hast given me Thy Body for my food, and Thy Blood for my drink, and both for a pledge of future glory. Who ever heard such a thing, or saw the like? Would that my lips might be opened,

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and my mouth be filled with Thy praise, that I might sing of Thy glory and honour all the day long, and tell of all Thy marvellous works.

Magnify the Lord, O my soul, Who has bestowed upon thee so many and so great mercies; and my spirit shall rejoice in God my Saviour; for He hath regarded the lowliness of His servant, and He that is mighty hath magnified me, and filled the hungry with good things. O praise the Lord, all ye heathen, praise Him, all ye nations, for His merciful kindness is ever more and more towards me. Praise Him, all ye Angels of His, praise Him all His Host; ye kings of the earth and all people; princes, and all judges of the world; young men and maidens, old men and children.

Wherefore, O Lord Jesus, my tongue shall talk of Thy righteousness, and of Thy praise all the day long. All my bones shall say, Lord, who is like unto Thee? Thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side; glorious art Thou in Thy gifts, and holy in all Thy works. So shall my words please Thee; my joy shall be in Thee, O Lord, and I will be occupied in Thy commandments. Hold me by my right hand, and guide me with Thy counsel, that Thou mayest after that receive me with glory. Amen.

11. *Offer to God the Father His Son.* O most merciful Father, Who hast so loved me as to give me Thine Only-begotten Son to be my food and drink, and with Him hast given me all things, look upon the face of Thine Anointed, in Whom Thou art well pleased. This Thy beloved Son, and with Him my heart I give to Thee, in return for all the benefits that Thou hast done unto me this day. Mayest Thou, O Father, be well pleased in Him, and through Him turn away Thy wrath and indignation from me.

Behold the Mediator between God and man, Christ Jesus, my Advocate and High Priest, Who intercedes for me. Him I offer to Thee; Him, Who did no sin, but Who bore the sins of the world, and healed our griefs and infirmities with His stripes. Accept therefore, O holy Father, this spotless Victim, to the honour and glory of Thy Name, in thanksgiving for all Thy benefits bestowed upon me, for the remission of my sins, and for the supply of all my defects and shortcomings.

12. *Offer thyself to Christ.* O Lord, for that I am Thy servant, and the son of Thine handmaid, I renounce the devil and all his works, and all his pomps; Thou alone art the God of my heart; and Thou O God art my portion for ever: Thou alone art the

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lot of mine inheritance and of my cup, it is Thou that shalt restore mine heritage unto me. Do Thou therefore alone accept all my freedom; receive my memory, my understanding, my entire will. Whatever I am or have, Thou hast bestowed upon me; all that I restore unto Thee, and surrender it to be governed wholly by Thy will: only give me love for Thee along with Thy grace, and I am rich enough, I ask for nothing more.

13. *Ask the grace of God.* Almighty and everlasting God, keeper of souls, and Redeemer of the world, mercifully behold me Thy servant prostrate before Thy majesty: and look with Thy gracious favour upon the Sacrifice which I, (by the hand of Thy priest,) have offered unto Thee for the honour of Thy Name, for the souls of the faithful, the living as well as the dead, and for my own sins and offences; take Thy wrath away from me, grant me Thy grace and mercy, open me the gates of Paradise, and mightily deliver me from all evils; and whatsoever I have committed of my own fault do Thou of Thy great mercy pardon. So grant me to persevere in the keeping of Thy holy commandments in this world, that I may hereafter be counted worthy to be gathered in the company of Thine elect, by Thy grace and favour, O my God, Whose Name is blessed, Whose is the honour, and the kingdom, for ever and ever. Amen.

O Lord, Who blessest men that bless Thee, and sanctifiest them that trust in Thee, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance, and keep Thy household the Church under Thy continual protection. Sanctify them that love the beauty of Thy house; reward them with glory, by Thy divine power; and forsake not them, O God, that hope in Thee. Give to the sick Thine aid, healing, and comfort. Preserve all that travel by land or by water. Send us moderate weather, and bless the fruits of the earth. Keep in peace the world, the Church, kings, priests, and all Thy people; grant rest to the departed; and remember for good those who have offered Thee gifts, and for whom they have offered them. Save those who are any ways afflicted or distressed, and grant us all Thy heavenly grace. Amen.

14. *Conclusion.* Soul of Christ, sanctify me: Body of Christ, save me: Blood of Christ, inebriate me: Water from the side of Christ, wash me: Passion of Christ, strengthen me: O good Jesu, hear me: Within Thy wounds, hide me: Suffer me never to be separated from Thee: From the malignant enemy, defend me: In the hour of my death call me, and bid me come to Thee;

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that with Thy Saints I may praise Thee for ever and ever. Amen.

I beseech Thee, O most good and gentle Jesus, let this immortal Host give Thee thanks for me, reconcile me to Thee, restore me to Thee, bring pardon to me a sinner, and lead me to everlasting life. Amen.

Monday.

PREPARATION.

15. *Invocation of the Holy Spirit.* ℣. Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of Thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Thy love. ℟. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be made, and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray. God, Who didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour. Amen.

16. *Act of contrition.* O Lord my God, be favourable to me a sinner. I repent that I have sinned: I desire to amend what I have done. Take from me, I beseech Thee, all mine iniquities, that being cleansed and purified both in mind and body, I may be worthy to enter into Thy most holy place.

17. *Act of faith.* O Lord Jesus Christ, Who art a Priest for ever, and Who saidst: My Flesh is meat indeed, and My Blood is drink indeed; I believe that Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God, that didst come into the world, and art present in this Sacrament; Lord, increase my faith.

18. *Act of hope.* In Thee alone do I put all my hope, O most sweet Jesus, for Thou art my health and my strength, Thou art my house of defence and my castle, Thou art the source of all good. Have mercy upon me, and save me, Who never failest those that hope in Thee.

19. *Act of love.* O how great a power of love hath enkindled Thy heart, O most loving Jesus! when about to depart out of this world to the Father, Thou didst prepare a table for us having every delight, and all taste and sweetness! For this Thine unspeakable kindness, I love Thee, O my God; and that I may never cease loving Thee, inflame my love with Thyself, Who art both the food and the stay of love.

20. *Act of desire.* As the hart desireth the water brooks, so longeth my soul after Thee, my Saviour, O Lord Jesus. Give me Thyself, and it suffices. For beside Thee no comfort avails, without Thee I am nought, and without Thy visitation I cannot live.

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21. *Act of humility.* O most mighty and incomprehensible God, that art to be feared, who art Thou? and what am I that Thou shouldest vouchsafe to come to me, to feast with me, and make Thine abode with me? Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

22. *Direct your intention.* O Lord Jesus Christ, in union with that divine intention, with which Thou Thyself, at the last Supper, and upon the altar of the Cross, didst offer up the Sacrifice of Thy Body and Blood to God the Father, this same Sacrifice do I intend to offer to Him. May it be well pleasing to Thee, O Jesus! and in Thee and through Thee be favourable to us unto everlasting life.

23. I implore Thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, in behalf of all those for whom I am bound to pray, to whom I am joined, or who are joined to me by any spiritual partaking, by relationship, nearness, friendship, commendation, devotion, almsgiving; who pray for me, in whose behalf I am a debtor, and who have commended themselves to my prayers; for all Christian people, and for this diocese; for all the bishops and clergy, that Thou mayest grant to them to persevere in Thy holy service humbly, faithfully and devotedly; for all faithful Christians, living and dead, in whatsoever strait or trouble they may be placed; have mercy upon, and help those that are in tribulation. Amen.

24. *Prayer of St. Ambrose.* To the Table of Thy most sweet Feast, O loving Lord, Jesu Christ, I, a sinner, presuming nothing on my own merits, but trusting in Thy mercy and goodness, approach with fear and trembling. For my heart and my body are stained with many and grievous sins, my thoughts and my lips have not been carefully kept. Wherefore, O gracious God, O terrible Majesty, I, in my misery, being brought into a great strait, return to Thee, the fountain of mercy, to Thee I hasten to be healed, and to flee under Thy protection: and Thee, before Whom I cannot stand as my Judge, I long to have as my Saviour. To Thee, O Lord, I show my wounds, to Thee I discover my shame. I know my sins, for which I am afraid, are many and great. My trust is in Thy mercies, of which there is no end. Look therefore upon me with the eyes of Thy mercy, O Lord Jesus Christ, eternal King, God and Man, crucified for man. Hearken unto me whose trust is in Thee: have mercy upon me who am full of misery and sin, Thou fountain of mercy That wilt never cease to flow. Hail, Victim of salvation, offered for me and all

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mankind upon the altar of the Cross. Hail, noble and precious Blood, flowing from the wounds of my crucified Lord Jesus Christ, and washing away the sins of the whole world. Remember Thy creature, O Lord, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thine own Blood. It repents me that I have sinned, and I desire to amend what I have done. Take away therefore from me, O most merciful Father, all my sins and iniquities; that being purified both in soul and body, I may be made meet worthily to taste the Holy of Holies; and grant, that this holy foretaste of Thy Body and Blood, which I, unworthy, purpose to take, may be for the remission of my sins; the perfect cleansing of my faults, the driving away of shameful thoughts, and the renewal of good desires; the healthful performance of works well-pleasing unto Thee, and the most sure protection of soul and body against the wiles of my enemies. Amen.

25. *Another prayer.* O King of Virgins, and Lover of chastity and innocence, by the heavenly dew of Thy blessing extinguish in my body whatever may kindle the burning of lustful desires, that so one even course of purity of mind and body may abide in me. Mortify in my members all incentives of the flesh, and every hurtful emotion; and grant me with Thine other gifts, which are well-pleasing to Thee, true and persevering chastity, that I may be able to offer unto Thee the Sacrifice of praise with chaste body and clean heart. For with how great contrition of heart, and fountain of tears, with what reverence and awe, with what chastity of body and purity of soul, should that divine and heavenly Sacrifice be celebrated; wherein Thy Flesh indeed is taken, and Thy Blood indeed is drunk; wherein the lowest and the highest, heavenly and earthly things are joined together; where is the presence of Thy holy Angels, and where, after a wonderful and unspeakable manner, Thou art Thyself both Sacrifice and Priest. Amen.

Monday.

THANKSGIVING.

26. *Affections.* Behold, Lord, I have Thee now, Who hast all things, I possess Thee, Who possessest all things, and canst do all things. Therefore, O my God, and my All, do Thou wean my heart from everything else beside Thee, for in them there is nothing but vanity and vexation of spirit. Let my heart be fixed on Thee alone, let my rest be in Thee, where my treasure is, sovereign

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truth, true happiness, and a joyful eternity.

O Jesus, let my soul feel the sweetness of Thy presence: let me taste how sweet Thou art, O Lord, that being drawn on by Thy love, I may seek for nothing wherein to rejoice out of Thee, for Thou art the joy of my heart, and my portion, O Lord, for ever.

Thou art the Physician of my soul, Who with Thine own stripes hast healed my weakness. I am that sick soul whom Thou camest from heaven to heal; heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

Thou art the Good Shepherd, Who hast laid down Thy life for Thy sheep. Behold, I am that sheep that was lost, and yet Thou vouchsafest to feed me with Thy Body and Blood; take me now upon Thy shoulders. What wilt Thou deny me, Who hast given me Thyself? Lead and guide me, and I shall lack nothing in the green pasture wherein Thou hast placed me, until Thou bring me unto the pastures of everlasting life.

O true Light, which lightenest every man that cometh into the world, lighten mine eyes that I never sleep in death.

O Fire, ever burning, and never failing, behold how lukewarm and cold I am: inflame my reins and my heart, that they may burn with love of Thee; for Thou camest to send fire upon earth, and what wilt Thou, but that it be kindled?

O King of heaven and earth, rich in mercy, behold I am poor and needy: Thou knowest wherein I am most in want, Thou alone canst help and enrich me. Help me, O God, and out of the treasures of Thy goodness succour my needy soul.

O my Lord and my God, behold I am Thy servant: give me understanding, and stir up my affection, that I may know and do Thy will.

Thou art the Saint of God, the Lamb without spot, that takest away the sins of the world: take away from me whatever is hurtful to me and displeasing to Thee, and give me what Thou knowest to be pleasing to Thee, and profitable to myself.

Thou art my love and all my joy. Thou art my God and my All. Thou art the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup. Thou art He that shall return mine inheritance to me.

O my God and my All, may the sweet and burning power of Thy love, I beseech Thee, consume my soul: that I may die to the world for love of Thee, Who didst vouchsafe to die upon the Cross for love of me, O my God and my All. Amen.

27. *Act of thanksgiving.* What am I, O infinite Goodness (*if a priest*) that Thou

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hast willed that I should stand at Thy sacred Altar, and offer to Thee of Thine own gifts, this holy Sacrifice, this spotless Host !) that Thou wouldest that I should partake at Thy holy Altar of this Bread of Angels? How have I found favour in the sight of Thine eyes, that Thou shewest me the riches of Thy mercy? O come hither, all ye Angels and Saints of God, and I will tell you what the Lord hath done for my soul. I was an outcast in my house, and He hath taken me up out of the dust, and set me with the princes of His people, that I might eat Bread and drink Wine at His Table, all the days of my life. What thanks shall I offer Thee, most merciful Jesus, O Saviour of the world? or what reward shall I give Thee for all the benefits that Thou hast done unto me? For of a truth of Thee, the Spouse of the Church, is that word of the Canticle understood, 'If a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned' as nothing. All that Thou hast, of Thy bounty Thou hast bestowed upon me; Thy Body, Thy Blood, Thy Soul, and Thy Divinity; and if I were to give Thee all the substance of my house, my body, soul, and freedom, together with all I have or can have, it would still be as nothing, in comparison with Thy boundless and inestimable gift. What a debt I owe to Thee, of such value as Thou art Thyself, Who art infinite: thus does my debt exceed my power of paying it. Nevertheless, I am bold to ask of Thee to receive the gift which in the simpleness of my heart I offer Thee, saying with the Spouse 'My Beloved is mine, and I am His.' For as Thou hast given Thyself wholly unto me for the food of my soul, so will I consecrate myself wholly to Thy service; and whatever I have, whatever I am, all that I can, I give over to Thee, that Thou mayest claim me for Thine own, nor do Thou suffer me to keep back any part for myself.

28. *Prayer for thyself.* Grant me, I beseech Thee, O almighty and merciful God, fervently to desire, wisely to search out, truthfully to know, and perfectly to fulfil, all that is pleasing to Thee.

Order my state to the praise and glory of Thy Name; and what Thou requirest me to do, grant me the knowledge, the desire, and the power, and so to fulfil as I ought all that is expedient for the health of my soul.

Let my path to Thee, I pray, be safe, straightforward and perfect unto the end, not failing either amid adversity or prosperity; that I be not depressed on one side, nor elated on the other. In prosperity let me give thanks

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to Thee, in adversity keep patience; neither rejoicing or grieving in aught, save what shall advance me to Thee, or shall take me from Thee. I will seek to please none, or fear to displease any, save Thee.

Grant me to do all in love, and to regard as dead all that belongs not to Thy service.

Let all that is transitory be worthless in mine eyes because of Thee, and all that is Thine dear to me, and Thou, O my God, more than all. Let all toil that is for Thee be my delight, and all rest irksome that is not in Thee.

Grant me, sweetest Lord, frequently and fervently to direct my heart to Thee, and sadly and with full purpose of amendment to think over my shortcomings.

Make me, O my God, humble without pretence, cheerful without levity, serious without dejection, grave without moroseness, active without frivolity, truthful without duplicity, fearing Thee without despair, trusting in Thee without presumption, chaste without depravity, to correct my neighbour without angry feeling, by word and example to edify him without pride, obedient without gainsaying, patient without murmuring.

Give me, sweetest Jesus, a wakeful heart, which no curious imagination may withdraw from Thee; give me a steadfast heart, which no unworthy affection may drag down; an unconquered heart, which no tribulation shall weary; a free heart, that no violent delectation shall possess for itself; give me an upright heart, which no sinister intention may draw aside.

Bestow upon me, O my God, understanding to know Thee, diligence to seek Thee, wisdom to find Thee, behaviour that may please Thee, perseverance that will peacefully and trustfully wait for Thee, and faithfulness that may finally embrace Thee. Grant me to suffer Thy punishments with repentance, to make good use of Thy blessings by Thy grace in my journey through life, and at length in the heavenly country to attain to the delight of Thy joys in glory, Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

Tuesday.

PREPARATION.

29. *Worship and give thanks.* O most sweet Saviour, Jesus Christ, I worship Thee with my whole heart; and with the inmost affections of my soul, I give thanks unto Thee, that with such great love, Thou didst redeem us, when miserably lost, with the price of Thy Blood; and in memory of this Thy love, as well as for a pledge

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of future glory, Thou didst, with such wondrous power, wisdom, and goodness, give us Thy very Body and Blood for our Meat and Drink. And lastly of Thine unspeakable mercy Thou hast vouchsafed to call to these divine Mysteries, me the most worthless sinner amongst the number of Thy (priests) servants.

30. *Abase thyself.* But alas! wretched man that I am, who have hitherto lived so unworthily of my calling, and have so often and so grievously offended Thee my God, by my sins (especially these, N.). But now I am sorry for them from my inmost heart, because of the love I bear Thee above all things; and henceforth I purpose to serve, please, and cleave unto Thee alone.

31. *Offer.* Therefore now coming to the Table of Thy Feast, do I, with the affection of my heart and with a pure and simple intention of mind, offer to the praise and glory of Thine eternal Majesty, and in commemoration of Thy most sacred Incarnation, Life, Passion, and Death, that most worthy Sacrifice of Thy Body and Blood, which Thou didst once offer for us upon the altar of the Cross; in thanksgiving also for all the gifts and blessings hitherto bestowed, or hereafter to be bestowed on all the company of the elect, and on me though most unworthy; in propitiation for my sins, for the salvation also of the living (N.), and for the consolation of the departed (N.). And I would that I could offer (celebrate) this so mighty a work of Thy love, with all the affection, fervour, and longing of Thy friends, whether now reigning in heaven, or still militant on earth.

32. *Believe.* With all my heart, indeed, I believe, O my Jesu, and confess with my mouth that the eternal Father, God supremely blessed in Himself, mighty, perfect, and needing nothing, did, according to His infinite mercy, so love the world as to give Thee, His Only-begotten Son, to be our Saviour. I believe also that Thou Thyself equal in all things to the Father, didst from the might of Thy boundless charity, come down from the bosom of the Father into the Virgin's womb, and for us men was made Man. I believe, that out of love for us, Thou didst institute this Sacrament at the last Supper, and didst give us to eat Thy very Body and Blood, that is, Thine own Self; and lastly, being obedient to Thy Father even unto death, Thou didst offer up Thyself for us a Victim upon the altar of the Cross.

33. *Hope.* And therefore do I hope in Thee, and with great confidence come to Thee, O Lord! Who for our sake wast willing to do such marvellous things, and to suf-

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fer things so dreadful. What wilt Thou refuse, seeing that Thou didst so love, as to give Thyself?

34. *Love.* I love Thee also, O good Jesus! with all the strength of my heart; and I will always love Thee henceforth even for ever, if Thou shalt give it.

35. *Offer thyself.* But what shall I render unto Thee, O Lord, for so great a gift, and for all the benefits which Thou hast done unto me? Behold, I renounce myself, and fully resign myself, and all that I am, body and soul and all that is mine, to the good pleasure of Thy most gracious will. But what have I that I have not received? What is man when compared with his Maker? What can a vile creature, a worm of earth, a miserable sinner, an unprofitable servant, bestow upon God, his Creator and his Lord? I acknowledge that I am poor and needy, and therefore do I humble myself under Thy mighty hand. But Thou, O Lord Jesus! do Thou as my Advocate and Mediator, rich in merits and in mercies, undertake my cause. And out of the treasury of Thy boundless love do Thou bring help to my need; and represent to Thy eternal Father the price of Thy Blood and of all Thy merits; and thence supply all my lack, and especially, alas! this my too slight and imperfect preparation, with which I come to these most sacred Mysteries; that thus through Thee, the performance of my most unworthy service may be pleasing unto Him.

36. *Ask.* Grant also, O good Jesu! by all Thy mercies, that I may ever treat this awful Mystery and wondrous gift of Thy love with due faith, reverence and gratitude; and that I may receive It now and ever with a pure and glowing heart; may I endeavour to adorn that state of life, to which Thou, by Thy singular grace, hast been pleased to call me, with charity, purity, humility, gentleness, patience, sobriety, &c., and with all such behaviour as is pleasing to Thee, and as becometh a faithful (priest) servant of Thine. I beg all this of Thee, to the end that my service may be more pleasing to Thee, to Thy great glory, the good of Thy Church, and my own and my neighbour's salvation. Wherefore, lastly, I humbly beseech Thee, that by the virtue of Thy Body and Blood, Thou wouldest effectually wean my heart from all hurtful affections (N.) which hinder the taste and fruit of this Sacrament; and wouldest unite and incorporate me most closely with Thyself; that I may taste how sweet Thou art, O Lord; and be made one spirit with Thee; that Thou mayest abide in

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me, and I in Thee; and so nothing shall be ever able to separate me from Thee. For it is good to hold me fast by Thee, &c. For whom have I in heaven but Thee, and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of Thee, O God, my portion for ever!

37. *Prayer for priests.* Who can worthily celebrate this Sacrament, unless Thou, almighty God, shalt make him that offereth worthy? I know, O Lord, yea, and truly do I know, and confess that very thing to Thy loving-kindness, that I am not worthy to approach so great a Mystery, on account of my exceeding and numberless sins and negligences. But I know, and truly believe from my whole heart, and confess with my mouth, that Thou canst make me worthy, Who alone canst make clean one conceived of unclean seed, and make sinners righteous and holy. By this Thine almighty power, I entreat Thee, O my God, that Thou wouldest grant to me a sinner, to celebrate this Sacrifice with fear and trembling, with purity of heart, and fountain of tears, with spiritual gladness, and heavenly joy. Let my mind feel the sweetness of Thy most blessed presence, and the love of Thy holy Angels keeping watch round about me. Amen.

Tuesday.

THANKSGIVING.

38. *Rejoice in the Lord.* I have found Him Whom my soul loveth: I have held Him, and will not let Him go. Thee, O my Jesus, I embrace. Thee, my love and my joy, I hold fast. Of Thee, the treasure of my heart, do I lay hold, in Whom I possess all things. Deliver me from all my necessities, O Lord; and make me to be as wholly Thine as Thou art mine. Thou, O Jesus, art my Creator that hast formed me; create in me a clean heart, and renew a right spirit within me. Thou art my King and my Lord, do Thou possess me, and none beside Thee. Thou art my teacher and my master; O teach me Thy goodness, and learn me true understanding and knowledge. Thou art my Advocate with God the Father: do Thou cause that He turn away His anger from me. Thou art He that shall come to judge the quick and the dead: enter not into judgement with Thy servant, O Lord. Thou art the beloved Spouse of my soul: betroth me to Thee in Thy mercy and loving-kindness. Thou art my guide and defender: hold me fast by Thee, and let the hand of any man fight against me. Thou wert made a Victim for me: my trust hath been in Thee, O Lord, therefore shall I not fall. Thou

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art my Saviour and Redeemer, finish Thy work; and let not Thy labour be of none effect. Thou art the lot of mine inheritance, my portion in the land of the living, do Thou restore mine heritage unto me. Thou art my glory, my Crown, and my exceeding great reward: admit me to those good things of the Lord which Thou hast prepared for them that love Thee. O Jesus, O most merciful Jesus, O Jesus, Son of the Virgin Mary, pour into me grace, wisdom, love, purity, humility, that I may perfectly love Thee, praise Thee, enjoy Thee, serve Thee, and glory in Thee now and for ever. Amen.

39. *Sing unto the God of thy salvation.* How fair art Thou, my beloved, the beloved of my vows, Christ Jesus! how fair art Thou! how good and lovely! my only delight! my life! my joy! my chiefest sweetness! O my God, and my All! for Thee I sigh! to Thee I call! for Thee I pant! I embrace and love Thee with all the inmost affection of my heart; for Thou art God, very goodness itself, everlasting love, wisdom inexhaustible, infinite power, and absolute perfection. What then shall ever separate me from Thy love? Shall some fleeting pleasure, failing riches, false honours, vanity of vanities? Not these or any, O good Jesus, for it is good to hold me fast by God, to put my trust in the Lord God. Help me then, O gracious Jesus, in my good resolve; and suffer me not to forget my promises. Let Thy most holy Sacrament be a most effectual remedy against all the wounds of my sins, and a filling up within me of all grace and strength: let it be a strength and defence against all dangers and evils, and a most firm support to everlasting blessedness. Amen.

40. *Give thanks.* O most gracious Saviour, Christ Jesus, how sweet and kind art Thou, and of great mercy unto all them that call upon Thee! For when we were not, by divine power didst Thou create us; when we were Thine enemies, Thou didst come down from heaven, and with wondrous wisdom redeem us; and because without Thee we cannot, both in body and soul, live and move and have our being, Thou dost of Thine infinite goodness keep us ever by so many Sacraments and helps of grace; yea, in this Sacrament, Thou dost, after a wholly wonderful manner, give Thy Body and Blood, that is, Thyself: O love, O compassion, O unheard of and awful Mystery!

Dost Thou then, my God, vouchsafe to come to me? The King and Lord of highest majesty to His lowest servant? God to man, the Creator to the creature?

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Whence is this to me, that Thou, O Lord, comest unto me? O Lord, our God, how excellent is Thy Name in all the earth! Who can express all Thy mighty acts, and shew forth all Thy praise? Though all my members were changed into tongues, and every breath of my life into Thy praises and thanksgivings, still far short should I fall of all Thy mercies. Therefore acknowledging mine insufficiency, this one thing do I choose and desire, that all Thy creatures should with me, and for me, praise and bless Thy Name for ever. Amen.

41. *Offer.* O Father of mercies, and God of all comfort, Who out of the abundance of Thine infinite love hast given me Thine Only-begotten Son! lo, I, a miserable sinner, now made a partaker of His Body and Blood, enfold Him in my bosom, and possessing Him as mine own and most closely joined to me, Him Himself do I now offer unto Thee, in that union of love wherewith He once gave Himself on the altar of the Cross. Behold, this is the treasure, O most merciful Father, in which I repose all my hope; these are the riches, which I offer in satisfaction of all my debts.

Look, gracious Father, upon the face of Thy Christ; and since He is Thy beloved Son, in Whom Thou art ever well pleased, Who now is most inwardly united with me, look upon me also, I humbly beseech Thee, with the eyes of Thy mercy. Under His protection and defence, beneath the shadow of His merits, do I appear before Thee; that gazing chiefly upon Him, Thou mayest regard me also with mercy and favour, whom He has purchased and made His servant for ever.

Suffer not, I beseech Thee, that soul to perish, which so often receives into itself Thy Son, Who, sent by Thee, came into the world to seek and to save that which was lost. Grant this to me, through Thine infinite mercy. Amen.

42. *Call upon God.* I pray Thee, O Lord, let this most meritorious Victim, which I have offered to Thee, be for the full amendment, purging and satisfaction of all my sins, and negligences, and the sins of the whole world. By It restore all my spiritual ruin, and fill up all my need. By It mortify in me all whatever is displeasing to Thee, and make me a man after Thine own heart. By It conform my spirit, soul and body, to the Spirit, soul and body of Thy sacred Humanity, and lighten me wholly with the light of Thy Divinity. Grant me by It to be stablished in Thee, perfectly and perseveringly to love Thee, closely to be united to Thee, and entirely to be transformed

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into Thee, to the praise of Thy Name, by which we are called.

Convert sinners, O Lord, call back heretics and schismatics; enlighten the unbelieving who are in ignorance of Thee; be nigh all those who are in any necessity and tribulation: help those who have commended themselves to my prayers, or who desire to be so commended: be with my parents, kins-folk and benefactors living and departed. Have mercy upon all for whom I ought to pray, and for whom Thou wouldest be entreated; grant pardon and peace to the living; give rest and everlasting light to the faithful departed. To Thee be praise, O Christ Jesus, world without end. Amen.

43. *Conclusion.* I depart from Thee for a little while, O Lord Jesus! but not without Thee is there consolation, happiness, or any good to my soul; to Thy loving heart do I most humbly commend myself, my relations, my friends and enemies. Do Thou love us, O Lord, and change us as perfectly as possible after Thy likeness. Let me be wholly occupied in Thee and for Thy sake; so there shall be no other object of my words and actions, interior and outward, but Thou, my love, Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

Wednesday.

PREPARATION.

44. *Direct your intention.* O Lord God, I Thine unworthy servant intend this morning, with all the affection of love, reverence, and devotion I possibly can, to offer up this most holy Sacrifice to Thy Majesty, to which alone it is due, according to the rites of holy Church; and now I do offer it, together with all sacrifices that are most pleasing to Thee, with the precious Blood of our Lord Jesus, as also the virtues and good deeds of the Blessed Virgin and all the Saints, and the prayers and praises of Thy whole Church; in union with that sacrifice which Christ at the last Supper instituted, and finished upon the Cross, Himself made both priest and victim; in the Name and affection of our Lord Jesus Christ, and of His Spouse the Church, out of pure love of Thee, and from a desire of doing Thy good pleasure at all times and in all things.

I offer it to Thee in witness of Thy supreme and uncreated excellency, of Thy dominion over all creatures, and of our subjection and dependence upon Thee; in thanksgiving for all benefits bestowed, or that shall be bestowed upon any creature at any time; for the completely doing away of all injury, either that has been

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intended, or has been committed against Thee by any at any time; also in the performance of that worship which belongs to Thee alone, together with all the service rendered Thee by Christ, and the adoration of the Blessed Virgin and of all Thy Saints and Angels; so, too, for the increase of joy in the humanity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in memory of His life of suffering, and for the increase of the glory and bliss of the Holy Virgin, as well as of all Thy Saints and Angels.

Furthermore, I offer it in thanksgiving for all Thy benefits bestowed upon me; in satisfaction for my sins, for which I sorely grieve, for every offence and injury I have purposed against Thee; and in behalf of all the present and future necessities of my soul and body.

I offer it lastly for the quick and the dead, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ knows and wills that I should sacrifice; for my parents, friends, relations, and benefactors; for all estates of the holy Catholic Church, for the union of Christian princes, the rooting up of heresies and schisms, the conversion of all unbelieving nations, the sanctification, preservation, and increase of the clergy, and all religious states and orders.

Therefore, O Lord, look upon me Thy most unworthy servant, whom Thou hast willed should serve before Thee, both for the quick and dead; that Thou mayest grant rest to the departed; and to the living grant pardon and grace, to serve Thee rightly and faithfully, and to persevere in Thy love unto their lives' end. Amen.

45. *Acts of the principal virtues.* I believe in Thee, O God, the first and only truth, on account of Thine infinite power and authority. I worship Thee, for the sake of Thine uncreated excellence. I hope in Thee, for the sake of the boundlessness of Thy mercy. I love Thee, on account of Thine exceeding goodness and loving-kindness. I am confounded and ashamed that I, not content with Thee, infinite good, should have sought after mean, passing, and only seeming goods. I grieve for my sins for Thy sake, Whom I love above all things; and ready to make satisfaction to Thee during my lifetime, I purpose, by Thy help, a full and entire amendment. I give Thee thanks for all the benefits which Thou hast never ceased heaping upon me. Whatever I have or hold, that altogether I give back to Thee, and deliver it up to the governance of Thy will. All who have offended me I pardon for the sake of Thy love. I beseech Thee, by the most holy Passion of Thy Son, have mercy upon my soul at Thy coming, and

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bring it, strengthened with the Sacraments, unto everlasting life. Amen.

46. *Call upon God.* Almighty, everlasting God, lo, I draw near to the Sacrament of Thy Only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ; I come nigh as one sick to the physician of life, unclean to the fountain of mercy, blind to the light of eternal brightness, poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. I implore, therefore, the abundance of Thine exceeding bounty, that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to heal my sickness, to wash my defilements, to enlighten my blindness, to enrich my poverty, and to clothe my nakedness; that I may receive the Bread of Angels, the King of kings, and Lord of lords, with such reverence and humility, such contrition and devotion, such purity and faith, such purpose and intention, as is expedient for the health of my soul. Grant me, I beseech Thee, that I may receive not only the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of the Lord, but the substance and virtue of the Sacrament. O most merciful God, grant me so to receive the Body of Thy Only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ, which He took of the Virgin Mary, that I may be worthy to be incorporated with His mystical Body, and accounted among His members. O most loving Father, grant me, that Thy beloved Son, Whom I now purpose to receive veiled from sight, I may at length behold for ever face to face. Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

47. *Prayer for priests.* I, mindful of Thy venerable Passion, O Lord, approach Thine Altar, although a sinner, to offer that Sacrifice which Thou hast instituted, and commanded to be offered, in remembrance of Thee, for our salvation. Receive it, I beseech Thee, O God most high, for Thy holy Church, and for Thy people, whom Thou hast purchased with Thine own Blood. And since Thou hast willed that I a sinner should be in the midst between Thee and the same Thy people, although Thou perceivest in me the proof of no good thing, at least refuse not the dutiful performance of the ministration which is entrusted to me; let not by my unworthiness the price of their salvation be destroyed, for whom Thou hast vouchsafed to be the Victim of salvation, and their Redemption. Also I bring before Thee, O Lord, if Thou wilt vouchsafe mercifully to behold, the tribulations of Thy people, the perils of Thy servants, the sorrowful sighing of prisoners, the miseries of orphans, the necessities of

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strangers, the helplessness of the weak, the hopelessness of the weary, the weakness of the aged, the sighings of the young, the vows of virgins, the lamentations of widows.

Wednesday.

THANKSGIVING.

48. *Worship.* Prostrate I adore Thee, Deity unseen, Who Thy glory hidest 'neath these shadows mean; lo, to Thee surrendered, my whole heart is bowed, tranced as it beholds Thee, shrined within the cloud.

Taste, and touch, and vision in Thee are deceived, but the hearing only, well may be believed; I believe whate'er the Son of God hath told; what the Truth hath spoken, that for truth I hold.

On the Cross lay hidden but Thy Deity, here is also hidden Thy Humanity; but in both, believing and confessing, Lord, ask I what the dying thief of Thee implored.

Thy dread wounds, like Thomas, though I cannot see, his be my confession, Lord and God, of Thee. Lord, my faith unfeigned evermore increase, give me hope unfading, love that cannot cease.

O memorial wondrous of the Lord's own death, living Bread, that givest all Thy creatures breath; grant my spirit ever by Thy life may live, to my taste Thy sweetness never-failing give.

Pelican of mercy, Jesu, Lord and God, cleanse me, wretched sinner, in Thy precious Blood: Blood, whereof one drop for humankind outpoured, might from all transgression have the world restored.

Jesu, Whom now veiled, I by faith descry, what my soul doth thirst for, do not, Lord, deny; that Thy face unveiled, I at last may see, with the blissful vision blest, my God, of Thee. Amen.

49. *Thanksgiving.* I give Thee thanks, O most merciful Lord God, Thou benefactor of my soul, that Thou hast made me worthy of Thy heavenly and immortal Mysteries. But what reward shall I give unto Thee? for in truth I am less than all Thy gifts. O most gracious God, accept now the praises and thanksgivings which Thy Son our Saviour, when He took upon Him our nature from the moment of His Incarnation, through the whole course of His life, paid Thee; and especially those, when instituting this Sacrament, and as if already then knowing, that we were unequal to render thanks for so great a benefit, lifting up His eyes towards heaven to Thee, His almighty Father, He gave thanks to Thee in the name of us all.

Receive also, O most loving Father, the thanksgivings

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which the blessed Virgin, the Mother of Thy Only-begotten, offered Thee, when she conceived, carried and bore in her chaste womb, Him Whom I myself even now embrace enclosed within my own breast; and those too, which in her lifetime, and especially as often as she received Thee in this Sacrament after Thine Ascension into heaven, from her burning heart's desire, and inward devotion, she gave to Thee.

Let all the Angelic spirits also bless and praise Thee, who for ever stand with holy fear about the throne of Thy Majesty, and continually do cry, saying: Holy, Holy, Holy.

I desire also with all my heart, that all Thy Saints and friends, now reigning with Thee in heaven, in whose communion with us we believe, may somewhat make up for my insufficiency by their own more worthy praises, and which here on earth they ever most devoutly offered Thee in the use and veneration of this Sacrament; and which they sing to Thee now, when feeding with open face on the Bread of life, and drinking of the river of Thy pleasure. Make me a partaker, O God, of all them that fear Thee and keep Thy commandments.

Oh that I could in like manner gather together into my one self the affection and fervour of all the pious faithful, and all the vows, desires, and good deeds of those that please Thee on earth; and thus love and honour Thee with all the intensity of my soul, for that great love and honour which Thou hast vouchsafed to me in this Sacrament.

50. *Petition.* Lord, I believe, but would believe more firmly. I hope, O Lord, but would hope more sincerely. I love, O Lord, but would love more warmly. I grieve, O Lord, but would grieve more sorely. I worship Thee, my first beginning; I desire Thee, my last end; I praise Thee, my continual benefactor; I call upon Thee, my gracious defender.

By Thy wisdom direct me; by Thy righteousness keep me; by Thy mercy comfort me; by Thy power protect me.

I offer Thee, O God, my thinkings, that they may be towards Thee; my sayings, that they may be of Thee; my doings, that they may be concerning Thee; my sufferings, that they may be for Thy sake.

I will whatsoever Thou willest; I will because Thou willest; I will in whatsoever way Thou willest; I will as long as Thou willest. I pray Thee, O Lord, that Thou wouldest enlighten my understanding, inflame my will, cleanse my body, sanctify my soul.

Let pride never corrupt me,

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nor flattery move me, neither the world deceive me, nor Satan assail me.

Grant me grace to purge my memory, to bridle my tongue, to restrain my eyes, to keep under my senses.

I would bewail my past iniquities; and resist my temptations in time to come; let me correct my sinful inclinations; and labour after fitting virtues.

Grant me, good Lord, love of Thee, hatred of myself, earnestness for my neighbour, contempt of the world.

Let me strive to obey superiors, to help inferiors, serve my friends, envy no man.

Let me keep in mind, O Jesu, Thy precept and example, by loving my enemies, suffering wrong, doing good to those that persecute me, praying for those that falsely speak evil against me.

Let me overcome love of pleasure by self-denial, covetousness by freely giving, heat of temper by gentleness, lukewarmness by piety.

Make me prudent in counsel, steadfast in danger, patient in adversity, humble in prosperity.

Grant me, O Lord, to be fixed and attentive in prayer, temperate in food, diligent in duty, firm in purpose and resolve.

Let me be careful to keep inward holiness, outward modesty, exemplary conversation, and a well-ordered life.

Let me ever watch to tame nature, to cherish grace, to keep Thy law, to work out my salvation.

Let me follow after holiness by sincere confession of sin, by devout communion of the Body and Blood of Christ, by continual recollection of mind, and pure intention of heart.

Let me learn from Thee, O God, how slight and little is all that is earthly, how great and real all that is heavenly, how short are all things temporal, how lasting all that are eternal.

Grant me, O Lord, to be prepared for death, to stand in awe of Thy judgment, to escape hell, to attain to paradise. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

51. *Intercession for the necessities of others.* O Lord, Whose bowels of mercy are open to all, Who willest not that any should perish, but wouldest have all men to be saved, and therefore didst for all suffer death, and institute this Sacrament: grant, I beseech Thee, concord and innocency of life to priests; peace and quiet to kings and princes; chastity to virgins; continency to those dedicated to God; integrity to the married; mercy to the penitent; perseverance to the righteous; to sinners, and to me a miserable sinner, pardon; to widows and orphans, protection; support to the poor; a safe return to

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travellers; consolation to those in sorrow; to all faithful Christians, the quick and the dead, grace and everlasting life. Amen.

52. *Thanksgiving.* O all ye Saints of the Lord, bless ye the Lord; O ye Angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord; O ye spirits and souls of the righteous, bless ye the Lord; ye whom God maketh glad with the light of His countenance, praise Him and magnify Him for me for ever. O all ye servants of God, whose memory we celebrate on earth, vouchsafe to remember me before the throne of God, Whom I bless and praise; and give thanks, for that He has called you, and prevented you with the blessings of His goodness. May I, like you, obtain grace and pardon now, and perfect union with God hereafter. Amen.

53. *Conclusion.* O God, Whose mercies are numberless, and the treasure of Whose goodness is infinite, we give thanks to Thy most gracious Majesty for all the gifts bestowed upon us, ever beseeching Thy merciful loving-kindness; that as Thou grantest their petitions to them that call upon Thee, so, never leaving us, Thou mayest dispose the same towards the attainment of everlasting rewards, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thursday.

PREPARATION.

54. *Admiration.* I heard Thy voice, O Lord: Come unto Me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. O Saint of Saints, behold Thou bowest Thyself down to me; Thou art willing to be with me; Thou invitest me to Thy banquet; Thou wouldest give me heavenly Food, and the Bread of Angels to eat; there is none else surely but Thou Thyself, the living Bread, That didst come down from heaven, and givest life to the world.

55. *Praise.* O God, the invisible Creator of the world, how wonderfully dost Thou deal with us! How sweetly and how graciously dost Thou order all things for Thine elect, to whom Thou offerest Thyself to be received in this Sacrament! Rejoice, O my soul, and give thanks to God for so noble a gift, for such singular comfort, left thee in this valley of tears.

56. *Fear.* My sins make me afraid, O Lord; and an impure conscience keeps me back from approaching so great Mysteries. The sweetness of Thy words provokes me, but the multitude of mine offences weighs me down. Who am I, O Lord, that I should presume to draw nigh unto Thee? How shall I dare to come to Thee, who am not conscious of any good

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in myself, whereupon I may presume? How shall I bring Thee into my house, that have so often offended Thy most gracious face, before which Angels and Archangels stand with reverential awe, and which holy and righteous men do fear?

57. *Contrition.* I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned; have mercy upon me, forgive me. What can I do for my sins, but humbly confess and bewail them, and unceasingly entreat Thy favour and propitiation? Graciously hear me, O my God, I beseech Thee. All my sins displease me exceedingly: I will never commit them any more: I do grieve for them, and will grieve as long as I live. Forgive me my sins, for the sake of Thy holy Name. Behold I commit myself to Thy mercy, I resign myself into Thy hands. Do Thou likewise burn up and consume with the fire of Thy love, all my faults and offences, which I have committed from the day whereon I first could sin until this hour; blot out all the stains of my sins; cleanse my conscience from all offence, and restore to me Thy grace again, which I lost by sinning, fully pardoning me all, and receiving me mercifully to the kiss of peace.

58. *Faith.* I believe and confess, that Thou, my God, the Saint of Saints, Creator of all, and Lord of the Angels, art present in the Sacrament of the Altar. What I cannot understand, I confidently commend to Thee, the almighty God; Thou dost not deceive me, O my God. And if Thy works were such that human reason could easily comprehend them, they would be called neither wonderful nor unspeakable. O how admirable is Thy working, O Lord, how mighty is Thy power, how unspeakable Thy truth! For Thou didst speak, and all things were made: and this has been done, which Thou Thyself didst command.

59. *Hope.* Trusting in Thy goodness and great mercy, O Lord, I draw near sick to my Saviour, hungry and thirsty to the fountain of life, needy to the King of heaven, a servant to his Lord, a creature to the Creator, desolate to my tender Comforter: hoping that spiritual grace will be bestowed upon me in this Sacrament, that the virtue which my soul has lost shall be renewed, that beauty which sin has deformed shall come back again, and my heart and my body shall be kept pure and spotless.

60. *Affection.* O my Beloved, grant me to leave all my loved ones for the sake of Thee, to love Thee only above all things, and to keep Thee to myself in life and in death for my friend. To be without Thee how grievous a

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torment, and to be with Thee is a sweet paradise! O good treasure! O good exceeding all good! O my God, and my All! For him who understands, enough has been said; to him who loves, it is a pleasant thing to repeat the same again. Do Thou purify, make glad, enlighten, and quicken my spirit with all its powers, to the end that it may cleave unto Thee with the fulness of joy.

61. *Desire.* Behold, O Lord, in Thee is all I can and ought to desire. Thou art my salvation and my redemption, my hope and my strength, my honour and my glory. I do long to receive Thee now with devotion and reverence. I desire to bring Thee into my house; that with Zaccheus I may obtain to be blessed by Thee, and to be numbered among the children of Abraham. My soul desires to be nourished with Thy Body and Blood, my heart longs to be united with Thee. Turn not Thy face away from me; do not delay Thy visitation; withdraw not Thy consolation. Come, O Lord, come to Thy poor servant, and make him glad; come, and satisfy me with Thy presence. As long as this is not given there will be no fulness of joy.

62. *Supplication.* O most blessed grace, which makest the poor in spirit rich in virtue, come, descend upon me; fill me now with Thy consolation, let not my soul fail, because of the dryness of my feelings. O Lord God, I beseech Thee, prevent Thy servant with the blessings of Thy sweetness, that worthily and with devotion I may come to Thy exceeding great Sacrament. Lift up my heart in Thee and to Thee, and cast heaviness and sluggishness away from me. Whatever is wanting to me, do Thou, O good Jesu, most holy Saviour, lovingly and graciously supply for me. Grant to Thy poor suppliant, sometimes at least, to feel in the Holy Communion, if it be but a little portion of the cordial affection of Thy love; that my faith may become more strong; my hope in Thy goodness be increased; and that charity once perfectly kindled within me, after the tasting of the heavenly Manna, may never decay.

63. *Prayer.* Thou hast compassion upon all, O Lord: and hatest nothing that Thou hast made. Remember how frail is our substance; for Thou art our Father and our God: be not angry with us for ever, and shut not up Thy tender mercies in displeasure. We humbly present our prayers before Thy face, O Lord, trusting not in our own righteousness, but in Thy manifold and great mercies. Take away from us our iniquities; and mercifully kindle in us

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the fire of the Holy Ghost. Take away our hearts of stone; and give us an heart of flesh, which may love and adore Thee, delight in Thee, follow Thee, and enjoy Thee. We pray Thy mercy, O Lord, that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to look favourably on Thy family awaiting the service of Thy sacred Name; and that the desire of none may be in vain, nor their petitions void, do Thou suggest to us such prayers, as Thou mayest delight graciously to hear and answer.

64. *Direct your intention.* I desire to offer up the Sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ (to celebrate Mass and to consecrate the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord) according to the rites of the Holy Catholic Church; to the praise of almighty God, and of the Church triumphant, for my own benefit, and the benefit of the whole Church militant and expectant, for all who have commended themselves to my prayers, in general and in particular, and for the welfare of the whole state of the Catholic Church. Amen.

Joy with peace, amendment of life, space for true repentance, the grace and comfort of the Holy Ghost, perseverance in good works, a contrite and humbled heart, and a happy consummation of my life, the almighty and merciful Lord grant me. Amen.

Thursday.

THANKSGIVING.

65. *Admiration.* O my Beloved, the choicest among thousands, in Whom my soul is well pleased to dwell all the days of its life! O my peacemaker, in Whom is highest peace and true rest! O hidden God, Whose speech is with the humble! O unspeakable grace; O wonderful in Thy condescension; O boundless love, singularly bestowed upon my soul! O Jesu, how great is the sweetness in Thy banquet; and how sweet would it be to me to pour out tears in Thy presence, from pure inward affection, and like pious Magdalene wash Thy feet with my tears. Surely in Thy sight, and in the sight of Thy holy Angels, my whole heart ought to be inflamed and to weep for joy. O how great a Lord have I received; how beloved a guest have I brought under my roof; how faithful a friend have I accepted; how fair and noble a spouse do I embrace. O good Jesus, let heaven and earth, with all their attire, keep silence before Thy face. O my soul abide in secret, and enjoy Thy God; for Thou hast Him, Whom the whole world cannot take away from Thee.

66. *Praising.* O sweetest Saviour, let all people, tribes and tongues, praise Thee, and magnify Thy holy and

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sweet Name, with great joyfulness and burning devotion. Behold I offer and present unto Thee the rejoicings of all devout hearts, their spiritual affections, their mental ecstasies, and supernatural enlightenments, and heavenly visions, with all the virtues and praises which are celebrated, and which shall be celebrated by all creatures in heaven and in earth. Receive, O Lord my God, my wishes, and my desires of giving Thee infinite praise and blessing without bound, which, according to the multitude of Thine unspeakable greatness, are most justly Thy due. These I render, and desire to render unto Thee every day, and every moment of time.

67. *Gratitude.* O most kind and gracious Jesus, what great thanksgiving is due to Thee for the receiving of Thy sacred Body, Whose worthiness there is no man found that can set it forth. Thanks be to Thee, O eternal Shepherd, Who hast vouchsafed to refresh me, a poor exile, with Thy precious Body and Blood. What shall I give Thee in return, O Lord, for such grace, for such exceeding love? There is nothing else more grateful which I can give than my heart, O my God, and to join my very inmost self to Thee. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to abide with me: I freely will to be with Thee. This is my desire, for my heart to be united to Thee.

68. *Offering.* Therefore, O Lord, just as Thou didst offer Thyself to God the Father, of Thine own accord, for my sins, with Thy hands stretched out upon the Cross, and Thy Body naked, so that nothing remained in Thee, which was not wholly turned into a sacrifice to appease the Divine wrath; even so do I willingly offer myself to Thee for a pure and holy oblation, with all my powers and affections, as earnestly as I can. O Lord, I beseech Thee, in the simpleness of my heart, receive me for Thy servant for evermore, for Thy worship, and for a sacrifice of perpetual praise unto Thee; receive me with this holy oblation of Thy precious Body, which I have offered to Thee now, in the presence of Thy Angels invisibly standing by, for myself, and for the salvation of all Thy people.

69. *Petition for thyself.* O Lord God, my Saviour, with the frequency that I attend this Mystery, so let the affection of my devotion increase. Save my soul, which Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious Blood. Deal with me according to Thy goodness, not according to my wickedness, and sin. See all my good, how scanty, and how imperfect; do Thou amend it and sanctify it: make it pleasing and acceptable to Thee, and ever make it

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better and more perfect. And bring me, who am but a slothful and unprofitable creature, to a good and praiseworthy end.

O most sweet and loving Jesus, behold I stand before Thee, poor and naked, begging Thy grace, and imploring Thy mercy. Inflame my coldness with the fire of Thy love; turn all earthly things for me into bitterness; all low and created things into contempt and disregard. Be Thou alone sweet unto me from henceforth for evermore. O that with Thy presence Thou wouldest wholly inflame, burn, and transform me into Thyself; that I may be made one spirit with Thee, by the grace of inward union, and the melting of fervent love. Work, O Lord, mercifully with me, as oftentimes Thou hast wonderfully worked with Thy saints, O fire ever burning, and never failing; O love, purifying the heart, and enlightening the understanding.

70. *Petition for others.* Look also, O most kind Jesus, upon the godly desires of Thy devout servants, the necessities of parents, friends, brethren, sisters, and of all those that are dear to me, and of those that have done good to me or to others, for the sake of Thy love, and who have desired and begged of me to offer up prayers (and sacrifice) for themselves and all theirs; whether they live still in the flesh, or whether they have departed out of the world; that they all may feel that the help of Thy grace, the riches of Thy consolation, protection from danger, deliverance from pain is come to them; and so that being set free from all evils, they may with joy give great thanks to Thee.

I offer up also unto Thee my prayers, and the sacrifice of propitiation for them in particular, who have in anything wronged, grieved, or slandered me, or have wrought any loss or displeasure upon me; for those, likewise, whom I have at any time grieved, troubled, injured, or scandalized, by words or deeds, knowingly or unknowingly; that it may please Thee to forgive us all our sins and offences, one against another.

Take away, O Lord, from our hearts all suspicion, indignation, wrath, and contention, and whatsoever can hurt charity, and lessen brotherly love. Have mercy, have mercy, O Lord; give Thy mercy to them that beg, grace to them that stand in need, and make us so to live, that we may be worthy to enjoy Thy grace, and to go forward unto life everlasting. Amen.

71. *Conclusion.* Lord Jesus, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace; but be not Thou far from me, O my God; haste Thee to help me, for divers thoughts

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during the day will rise up against me, divers temptations will seek my hurt. Grant that I may pass by them uninjured, grant that I may break them in pieces. Fight Thou for me, and utterly destroy the evil beasts, all the shameful lusts of the flesh. Command the winds and the storms; say unto the sea: be still; and to the north wind: blow not; and there shall be a great calm. Bless and sanctify me with heavenly blessing. Protect and keep the soul of Thy servant, amidst so many chances of this corruptible life; and, Thy grace also going along with me, direct me through the paths of peace to my country's home of everlasting light. Amen.

Friday.

PREPARATION.

72. *Ask grace.* O God, Who for the redemption of the world, didst vouchsafe to be born, circumcised, rejected by the Jews, betrayed by the traitor Judas with a kiss, bound with cords, led as an innocent lamb to the sacrifice, to be shamefully set at nought in the presence of Annas, Caiaphas, Pilate, and Herod, accused by false witnesses, tormented with scourgings and reproaches, spit upon, crowned with thorns, buffeted, smitten with a reed, blindfolded, stripped, nailed to the Cross, lifted up on the Cross, numbered among thieves, given to drink vinegar and gall, and wounded with a spear: do Thou, O Lord, by these Thy most holy pains which I Thine unworthy servant call to mind, and by Thy holy Cross and death, in thanksgiving and memory of which I wish to offer this Sacrifice, deliver me from my sins, that I may, holily and acceptably, assist at Thy Altar: Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

73. *Contrition.* O my most loving God, my Creator and my Saviour, I grieve from my inmost heart that I ever offended Thee, my Lord and my God, Whom I ought to love above all things, because Thou art good over all, and hast bestowed very many goods upon me; but I, alas, wretched and ungrateful sinner that I am, have only returned Thee evil for good. But be Thou merciful unto my sins, O Lord: for now I firmly purpose and resolve to offend Thee no more, and to flee all occasions of sinning; and therefore do I now desire to take this Sacrament, that I may be strengthened in the love of Thee, and may be defended against all occasions of sin, that Thou mayest abide in me, and I in Thee.

74. *Acts of virtues.* O infinite Wisdom! and everlasting Truth! O boundless

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Goodness! Who canst neither deceive nor be deceived; I believe in Thee, and I believe Thee in all that Thou hast revealed, and what Thou puttest before me by the Church to be believed. But first of all I believe Thee to be present in this most holy Sacrament, according as Thou hast declared in plain words, to which I give more heed than to my judgment and my senses. For this faith, by the help of Thy grace, I am prepared to die.

I hope in Thee, O infinite Goodness! and I trust that Thou, by Thine inexhaustible mercy, wilt give me pardon, grace, and glory that Thou hast promised me.

I love and will love Thee, and all things that Thou lovest, for Thy sake, O endless fountain of all good, because Thou art worthy of all love.

I rejoice in Thine infinite perfection, Thy blessedness, and Thy lovingness; and in all the service, praise, honour and glory that Thine elect and all Thy creatures have given Thee, and will give Thee for ever. I embrace Thee and Thy wellpleasing in everything, and with every possible affection of reverence, trust, love and piety, I worship and praise Thee.

Whatever of affection there is in me towards created things, that I make over to Thee alone. Whatever I shall have done for all eternity or have suffered, let that turn to Thy glory. I am wholly Thine: make of me what Thou willest, now and for ever. Amen.

75. *Direct your intention.* To the praise and glory of the most holy Trinity; in memory of the life, passion, death, and resurrection of our Saviour Jesus Christ, and in union with His work and merits; in memory of and for the increase of bliss of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, the heavenly Angels, the Saints, and especially N.N.: also together with the praises of the blessed spirits, and the prayers and good deeds of all holy souls, now and ever, do I offer this and all other sacrifices, duties, prayers, and good works of the whole world, for my present necessities, for my help and comfort, and for the remission of all my sins, for which I purpose, strive, and desire, to have always true contrition: for the health and salvation of parents, and relations, friends, enemies, benefactors in spiritual and temporal things, and those to whom I have been a trouble, scandal, and cause of sinning; for the whole estate of the Catholic Church, its preservation, increase, and exaltation, the union of Christian princes, the rooting up of heresies, the health of our Primate, and the rest and peace of the faithful departed; for the keeping and

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increase of all orders of religion, the conversion of all unbelievers; for those committed and entrusted to my care: and lastly for all the quick and the dead, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ knows and wills that I ought to pray and to offer sacrifice: so do I (although an unworthy minister), pray and beseech and purpose and intend to pray, to plead, and and to sacrifice, according to the intention of the Holy Catholic Church. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

76. *Prayer to the Holy Ghost.* O Spirit of grace and mercy, O God the Holy Ghost, behold I draw nigh to the holy Altar, a dreadful place, and to be feared; but because without Thee I cannot appear worthy in ministering, do Thou, I beseech Thee, by Thy power and operation, make me fit worthily to offer sacrifice. Enter Thou therefore into my heart, and make me worthy. Come, Thou cleanser of wickedness, Thou healer of wounds, come, most Holy Spirit, and take away from me whatever in me is displeasing to Thee, to the Father, and to the Son; and pour into me those most precious gifts of Thy graces, that by being helped by them I may both celebrate in a holy manner, and so live afterwards according to the will of Jesus.

77. *Supplication.* Grant, I beseech Thee, most good and loving Lord, that Thy holy Saints, who now behold, honour, and worship Thee in the beatific vision, but Whom we in the meanwhile do not behold but under elements, and in a mystery, may supplicate Thee and intercede for us, that we may make such a worthy use of this Sacrament, that hereafter we may be found worthy to join them in their holy company, and so with them to praise and glorify Thee. Amen.

78. *Prayer for the departed.* We pray Thee also, O Lord, Holy Father, for the souls of the faithful departed; that this great Sacrament of Thy love may be to them salvation, health, joy, and refreshment. O Lord my God, grant them this day a great and abundant feast of Thee, the living Bread, Which camest down from heaven, and givest life to the world; even of Thy holy and blessed Flesh, the Lamb without spot, That takest away the sins of the world; of Thy Flesh which was taken from the holy and glorious womb of the blessed Virgin Mary, and conceived by the Holy Ghost; and of that fountain of mercy, which by the soldier's lance flowed from Thy most sacred side: that they may be thereby restored and satisfied, refreshed and comforted, and may rejoice

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in Thy praise and glory. I beseech Thy mercy, O Lord, that on the Bread to be offered to Thee may come down the fulness of Thy blessing, and the hallowing of Thy Godhead. Let there likewise descend, O Lord, that invisible and incomprehensible majesty of Thy Holy Spirit, as of old It came down upon the sacrifices of the fathers, Which may make our oblations Thy Body and Blood; and may He teach me, Thy unworthy priest, to treat so great a Mystery with purity of heart and devotion of tears, with reverence and awe, so that Thou mayest receive with grace and favour, the Sacrifice at my hands, for the salvation of all, both the living and the dead.

Friday.

THANKSGIVING.

79. *Pious affections.* O good Jesus, what have I in heaven but Thee, and what upon earth have I wished for apart from Thee? Now is my desire full, the joy of my heart full: because Thou art my fulness, all my good and all my desire. Refresh, O Lord, my hungry soul; inflame my coldness with the fire of Thy love; enlighten my darkness with the brightness of Thy presence. Turn for me all earthly things into bitterness; all low and created things into contempt and disregard. Raise my heart up to Thee in heaven, and suffer me not to wander upon the earth. Let the virtue of this Sacrament, I beseech Thee, penetrate my innermost being: and mortify and pull up whatever is evil and vitious in me. In Thee, O most sweet Jesus, be all my delight: let joy be weary to me without Thee; let all rest that is not in Thee be bitter to me. Send forth from Thee, most gracious Jesus, the rays of Thy love, that will kindle me, and burn up and utterly consume all that is earthly in me: so that I may glow with the unquenchable fire of Thy love, and the old man within me entirely decay. O that the flaming power of Thy love might so carry me away, that it may change me into Thee, absorb me into Thee, and make me one with Thee!

80. *Act of love.* O my God! I love Thee: nor do I love Thee that Thou mayest save me, or because Thou wilt punish with eternal fire those who love Thee not. Thou, O my Jesus, didst embrace me upon the Cross: Thou didst bear the nails, and spear, and manifold disgrace, and griefs and torments numberless, and sweat and agony and death; and all this for my sake, for me a sinner. Then why, O most loving Jesus Christ, should I not love Thee well? not for

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obtaining Thy salvation in heaven, or that Thou mayest not condemn me for ever, nor for the hope of any reward; but as Thou hast loved me, so I love and will love Thee, solely because Thou art my King, solely because Thou art my God. Amen.

81. *Thanksgiving.* I render Thee thanks, O holy Lord, Father almighty, eternal God, Who, not for my own merits, but only out of the condescension of Thy mercy, hast vouchsafed to feed me a sinner, Thy unworthy servant, with the precious Body and Blood of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ. And I pray, that this Holy Communion may not bring guilt upon me to condemnation, but may intercede for me to my pardon and salvation. Let it be to me an armour of faith, and a shield of good purpose. Let it be to me a riddance of all vices, an extermination of all evil desires and lusts; an increase of love and patience, of humility and obedience, and all virtues: a firm defence against the wiles of my enemies, visible and invisible; a perfect quieting of all my impulses, fleshly and spiritual: a firm adherence to Thee, the one true God; and a blessed consummation of my end. And I pray Thee, that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to bring me, a sinner, to that ineffable feast, where Thou, with Thy Son and the Holy Ghost, art to Thy Saints true light, full satisfaction, everlasting joy, complete delight, and perfect happiness. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

82. *Oblation.* Behold, O God, my protector, and look upon the face of Thy Christ. For lo, Thy Son hath so communicated Himself to me that I am in Him, and He is in me; lo, He hath made Himself one with me, and I am become one with Him. Therefore Him do I offer unto Thee, O most loving Father, as sweet incense, on account of His exceeding glory and honour, in thanksgiving for all Thy benefits; in remission of my sins, and the sins of the whole world; to obtain for myself, and all for whom I have prayed and am bound to pray, every succour for temporal and eternal life; and for the souls of the faithful departed. Receive, O Lord, together with this most sacred oblation, my soul and body, my strength and affection, that I may be a continual burnt-offering unto Thy Majesty, ever burning; mercifully grant that henceforth I may keep neither my members, nor senses, nor powers, nor my life, save to love and serve Thee. Amen.

83. *Reparation for injuries.* O most patient Jesus, Who art affected by repeated and countless insults in Thy

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Sacrament, I detest, abominate with my whole heart all those injuries that have been done against Thee by sinners. I beseech Thee then by the unspeakable love of Thy most Sacred Heart, that Thou wilt be both for us and for them, a propitiation with Thine almighty Father. Kindle within me, O Jesus, by the presence of Thy Body, a burning zeal; so that I may take all pains to bewail the sacrileges that have been committed, and hinder any from being further committed.

84. *Prayer.* O most dear Lord Jesus Christ, do Thou pierce through the affections of my very inmost soul with the most sweet and healthful wound of Thy love, with true, calm, most holy, apostolic charity, that my soul may ever languish and melt with the sole love and desire for Thee, that it may desire Thee, and depart into Thy courts, long to be dissolved and to be with Thee. Grant that my soul may hunger after Thee, the Bread of Angels, the refreshment of holy souls, our daily and supersubstantial Bread, Who hast all sweetness and savour, and every pleasurable delight. Grant that my heart may ever hunger after and feed upon Thee, Whom the Angels desire to look into, and my inmost soul be filled with the sweetness of Thy savour. Grant that my soul may ever thirst for Thee, the fountain of life, the fountain of wisdom and knowledge, the fountain of eternal light, the torrent of pleasure, the richness of the house of God. Grant that it may compass Thee always, seek Thee, find Thee, stretch towards Thee, attain to Thee, meditate upon Thee, speak of Thee, and do all things for the praise and glory of Thy Name, with humility and discretion, with love and delight, with readiness and affection, with perseverance even unto the end. And do Thou alone always be my hope, my whole trust, my riches, my delight, my happiness, my joy, my rest and tranquillity, my peace, my enjoyment, my fragrance, my sweet savour, my food, my refreshment, my refuge, my help, my wisdom, my portion, my possession, my treasure, in Whom my mind and my heart may be firmly and unchangeably fixed and rooted, henceforth and for evermore. Amen.

85. *Supplication for the necessities of others.* O almighty Lord God, the Father of Christ Thy blessed Son, that hearest those that rightly call upon Thee, and knowest the prayers even of them that speak not: we give Thee thanks for that Thou hast accounted us worthy to partake of Thy holy Mysteries, which Thou hast granted us, that we may be fully persuaded of those

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things which we already well know; for the keeping of piety and devotion, and the remission of sin; inasmuch as the Name of Thy Christ hath been called upon over us. Thou that hast separated us from communion with the wicked, unite us with those that have been consecrated to Thee; stablish us in the truth by the coming of the Holy Ghost, reveal to us the things of which we are ignorant; supply what is wanting; confirm what we already know. Keep Thy priests blameless in Thy worship; preserve kings in peace, magistrates in justice; grant fair weather, the fruits of the earth in plenty; keep the world with Thine almighty Providence; cause warlike nations to be still; convert the erring; hallow Thy people; keep those that are virgins; protect the married in fidelity; strengthen the continent; confirm the weak; enlighten the blind; and gather us all into the kingdom of heaven, in Christ Jesus our Lord, with Whom be all glory, honour and worship to Thee, and the Holy Ghost, for ever and ever. Amen.

86. *Conclusion.* Abide in me, O most merciful Jesus: be Thou the continual defence and health of my soul and body. Drive away from me mine enemies which lay wait for me: let them depart far hence from the presence of Thy power; that being defended both within and without by Thee, I may come by a straight way to Thy kingdom. Amen.

Saturday.

PREPARATION.

87. *Worship.* O God, Trine in persons, and One in essence; and Thou, O Lord Jesus Christ, true God and Man, I worship Thee with my whole heart; and I confess that Thou art my true and only Creator, Saviour, and my last end; and forasmuch as my worship is too slender and feeble, I offer to Thee that excelling worship which continually Thy most sacred Humanity pays Thee, and Thy most glorious Mother, and the whole Court of Heaven, as well as that which the holy Catholic Church, Thy beloved Spouse, offers Thee.

88. *Love.* Above all, O Lord, with my whole heart and soul, with all my strength, I love Thee, and I long to love Thee above all things; and were it possible, I would desire to love Thee with that most perfect love with which Thou lovest Thyself, and with which Thy most sacred Humanity, and the glorious Virgin Mary, with all the heavenly Court, and the holy Catholic Church love Thee.

89. *Contrition.* And since, O Lord, Thou art infinitely

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good, wise, mighty, just, and merciful, therefore I grieve with my whole heart; and above everything do I detest all my sins, mortal and venial, which in thought, word, and deed, from the first moment when I had the use of reason, up to this present time, I have ever committed. And in place of my own very imperfect grief, I offer Thee that bitter contrition, which the holy prophet David, holy Peter, and holy Mary Magdalene, yea, and all true penitents from the beginning of the world till now ever had; together with the absolute will and wish by the help of Thy divine grace, of never offending Thee any more.

90. *Satisfaction.* And because, O Lord God, it is not in my power to make satisfaction for so many debts to which, on account of my sins and offences, I acknowledge that I am more than tied and bound; therefore in satisfaction of them I offer Thee all my life, my works, my labours, pains and griefs which I have borne, and shall hitherto have to bear, together with the merits of the life, passion, and death of Thy Only-begotten Son; seeking most humbly pardon of my faults, and begging Thine effectual grace, that I may truly repent of them before my death.

91. *Oblation.* Besides, O Lord, together with this my sacrifice, I offer and consecrate myself wholly to Thee to Thy honour and eternal glory, in union with that most burning love and that pure intention, with which at the last Supper Thou didst give Thyself to us for food, and didst offer a sacrifice of blood for us upon the altar of the Cross; and instead of my slender preparation, and my little devotion, I offer to Thee that deep humility, love, and purity with which Thy holy Mother and all Thy faithful servants approached this most holy Sacrament; and adorned with which Thy Apostles, yea, all Thy holy priests, have offered to Thee this tremendous Sacrifice, from Thy first institution until now; and adorned with which Thy holy Catholic Church now offers everywhere in every place. Amen.

92. *Direction of the intention.* O heavenly Father, gracious Father of mercies, receive to-day at the hands of Thy servant, this most holy Sacrifice, the true Body and Blood of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in satisfaction and remission of my sins, for the health and hallowing of my soul, and of all those to whom I am bound by any obligation; for all the pastors of Thy Church, that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to make them partakers of the grace of Thy Holy Spirit, for the health of all souls, and the governing of all Christian

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people; for all sinners in the world, that thou wouldest convert them, and lead them into the way of salvation; for the consolation of all the distressed, that Thou wouldest give them help and true repentance; for the refreshment and deliverance of all departed souls, and specially those for whom I have promised and am bound to pray; and for the enlightenment and conversion of all heathen nations, heretics, and schismatics, that they may know and love Thee, the highest and eternal Truth, the almighty Father, Who with the Son and the Holy Ghost art to be praised, God, blessed for evermore. Amen.

93. *Prayer to our Lord Jesus Christ.* Inflame, O Jesus, with the fire of Thy love, my heart, which I offer unto Thee for a burnt offering, and extinguish all the flames of earthly love; that nothing in the world may please me except Thee. In the love of Thee I desire to live, and I long to die.

Thy wish, O my Jesus, is this: Come unto Me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you: and with Thine arms stretched upon the Cross Thou waitest for me. Lo I come, O Jesus, admit me, I beseech Thee, and grant that in the embrace of Thy love, I may ever remain united to Thee.

But it is Thy precept that I should not appear before Thee empty: what shall I give Thee, my Jesus? Receive the gifts of Thy goodness, even the faculties of my soul, which I offer Thee to Thy service, my memory, understanding and will. I will remember Thee only: let me know nothing outside Thee; let me love nought but Thee; nor in anything be my will done, but Thine. Amen.

94. *Prayer.* I pray Thee, also, O Lord, by this most holy Mystery of Thy Body and Blood, whereby in Thy Church we are daily fed and given to drink, washed and sanctified, and made partakers of Thy divine nature; grant me Thy holy graces, that being filled therewith, I may draw nigh to Thine Altar with a good conscience, that these heavenly Sacraments may be made to me salvation and life. Thou hast said with Thy holy and blessed mouth: The Bread which I will give is my Flesh, Which I will give for the life of the world. I am the living Bread, Which came down from heaven. If any man eat of this Bread, he shall live for ever. O most sweet Bread, heal the palate of my heart, that I may feel the sweetness of Thy love. Heal it of all weakness, that I may know no sweetness but Thine only. O most pure Bread, having all delight and all sweetness,

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that ever refreshest us, and never failest: let my heart feed on Thee, and my inmost soul be filled with the sweetness of Thy taste. The Angel feeds on Thee with satiety: let the wayfaring man feed on Thee according to his measure, that he fail not by the way, being refreshed with such a Viaticum. O holy Bread, O living Bread, That camest down from heaven, and givest life unto the world, come into my heart, and cleanse me from all defilement of flesh and spirit. Enter Thou into my soul, heal and purify me within and without. Be Thou the succour, and continual salvation of my soul and body. Drive far from me my enemies who lay wait for me; let them depart far from the presence of Thy power, that being guarded both without and within by Thee, I may attain, by a straight way, to Thy heavenly kingdom: where, not in mysteries, as heretofore, but face to face, we shall see Thee, when Thou shalt have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father, and shalt be God all in all. For then shalt Thou satisfy me with a wonderful fulness, so that I shall neither hunger, nor thirst any more. Who livest and reignest with the same God, the Father, and the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

95. *Supplication.* O ye Angels, Archangels, Thrones, Dominions, Principalities, Powers, ye Heavenly Virtues, Cherubim and Seraphim, all ye Saints of God, and especially ye whose memory we celebrate to-day, do ye all praise, bless, and supplicate God for me; let me be assisted by your prayers with God, that with quickening faith, fervid charity and thorough devotion, I may offer (perform) this most holy Sacrifice; and so by its continual and health-giving use, I may at length be found worthy to attain to your joyful company, to the praise and glory of almighty God, and His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, to Whom with the Holy Ghost, be all honour, worship and thanksgiving, now and for evermore. Amen.

Saturday.

THANKSGIVING.

96. *Worship.* Hail, true Body, born of Mary, spotless Virgin's virgin birth: Thou Who truly hangedst weary, on the Cross for sons of earth: Thou Whose sacred side was riven, whence the Water flowed and Blood: O mayest Thou, dear Lord, be given at death's hour to be our Food. O most kind Jesus, O gracious Jesus, O sweetest Jesus, holy Mary's Son. Amen.

97. *Pious affections.* O good Jesus, all Thy creatures

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wonder that Thou didst come down into the most pure womb of Mary Thy mother, although nevertheless she was whole and undefiled, and full of every virtue and grace. Ought I not rather to wonder that Thou hast willed to turn aside to me, to be received by me, to be holden by me, who am poor, and naked, and miserable, and wretched!

Hast Thou, O Lord, Saint of Saints, vouchsafed to abide in me, who am the dregs of sinners? Hast Thou so willed to honour me, who for so long a time have been a foul and unclean vessel, that I should become Thy temple, Thy tabernacle, and as it were a case for the sacred Reliques of Thy Body and Blood? Let all Thine Angels bless Thee for such great worthiness vouchsafed to me. Therefore make me to know now, and always to know how to possess my vessel, not in the lust of desire, as the nations that know not God, but in sanctification and honour.

Grant me, most sweet Jesus, to perceive clearly the effect of Thy presence. Remember the blessings which Thou didst heap upon those who at some time received Thee into their house. Mary, Thy mother, when she received Thee into her womb, was filled with all the gifts of grace. Thou wast made salvation from God to Zaccheus, the publican, whose hospitality Thou didst use. So also, having undergone death for us, Thou didst go down into hell, and didst change it into a kind of paradise. Thou didst bless the house of Obed-edom, and all that pertained to him, on account of the Ark of the covenant. Bless also the house of my heart, into which Thou hast entered: turn it, I pray Thee, into a paradise, and fill it with Thy Holy Spirit.

Remember, most merciful Jesus, that it is said of Thee in the sacred writings, that all the crowd sought to touch Thee, because virtue went out of Thee, and healed all. Behold, I have now not only touched Thee, but have also received Thee into myself: let that divine virtue go out from Thee and heal my soul, cure all my sickness, and add fresh health and strength to me, to the end that I may serve Thee in righteousness and true holiness all the days of my life.

98. *Thanksgiving.* O good Jesus, Thou sweetness of my heart, and life of my soul, and grateful and pleasing rest for my spirit; I offer Thee continual thanks and praise for all Thy benefits bestowed upon me; but specially, because to-day (Thou hast made me worthy of consecrating and handling), Thou hast suffered me to assist at, the Sacrifice of Thy true,

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spotless and most precious Body and Blood; and to offer the same to Thee in memory of all Thy wonderful works, to Thy glory, and in remission of all sins, my own as well as of those for whom I intended to pray and to offer; and to be fed and nourished with It to the health and comfort of my soul. Wherefore, I dare truly say : My Food is Christ, and I am His. Therefore I multiply, and as often as I breathe, I will multiply, acts of praise willingly to Thee : and I beg that the Blessed Virgin, the Angels, the Saints, and all created beings will give thanks to Thee for me. Yea, because these by no means shall suffice, I beseech Thee that Thou mayest be pleased to give thanks, to praise, to glorify Thine own self; and since Thou hast vouchsafed nevertheless to take this unworthy habitation for Thine own, vouchsafe also to make it an abiding mansion for Thyself. Make me a man after Thine own heart. Unite me inwardly to Thee, and transform and change me altogether into Thyself. Save me, O Jesus Christ, and drive far from me all wickedness of the old enemy, by the innocency of Thy Passion. I beseech Thee, too, that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to bestow all graces and pardon, which I can obtain by the mediation of this Sacrifice and Communion, both upon myself, as well as upon the living and the dead, for whom I intended to pray: and for whom Thou, O merciful Jesus, willest that prayers and intercessions should specially be made to Thee. Amen.

Our Father. Hail, Mary.

99. *An oblation and petition.* I worship Thee, and give thanks to Thee, O most kind and gracious Lord Jesus Christ, Who hast vouchsafed to admit me a most worthless sinner to the glorious and life-giving Banquet of Thy holy table. Alas, that I have so very unworthily performed this holy Sacrifice. Have mercy upon me, forgive me. I commend what I have done to Thy divine Heart for amendment and correction. Receive, I beseech Thee, these holy mysteries of Thy Body which I have offered Thee, to the everlasting glory of Thy Name, in commemoration of the Virgin Mary Thy Mother, of all Thy Saints and blessed Angels, for my own salvation and of all the faithful, both living and dead. Receive this most prevailing Sacrament for the full amendment, expiation, and satisfaction of all my sins and negligences, and the sins of the whole world.

By it, O most merciful Father, sanctify Thy Church : take from it all offences and schisms, and let there be one

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fold and one shepherd. By it pour out Thy mercy upon the nations which have not known Thee, and enlighten their hearts, that they may know and love Thee. By it disperse the councils of the wicked, lest they plot and work anything against Thy kingdom, and the propagation of Thy glory. Grant to our Primate, our Bishops, and priests Thy divine love, that they may rightly discharge their duties: to kings, princes, and all magistrates, wisdom, that they may faithfully administer justice, and follow after peace; and to Thy people grant Thy heavenly blessing. To the sick and dying give true contrition, and Thy love; to my enemies give Thy charity and sweetness; to my friends, benefactors, and relations, Thy love: and direct us and all that belong to us, that Thy worship and service may at all times and in all places flourish and continue. To the departed, especially those, who most are in need of our suffrages, or to whom I am bound, grant everlasting rest, and so at last a blessed enjoyment of Thee.

100. *Intercession for sinners.* O everlasting God, maker of all things, remember the souls of sinners, whom Thou hast created, and made after Thine own image and likeness. Behold, O Lord, to Thy reproach, hell is filled with them. Remember that Jesus, Thy Son, suffered the most wicked death for them. Do not Thou, I beseech Thee, O Lord, suffer it any further, that they, continuing in their wickednesses, should despise Thy Son, the Saviour of all; but, appeased by the prayers of Thy Saints, and of Thy most holy Church, the Spouse of the same, Thy Son, do Thou remember Thy mercy; and forgetting their disobedience and transgressions, grant that at length they may be converted with their whole heart to Him Whom Thou hast sent, Jesus Christ, our Lord, by Whom we have been saved and set free, to Whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

101. *Supplication for priests.* Let Thy grace help us, O almighty God, that we who have undertaken the office of the priesthood, may be able worthily and devoutly to serve Thee with all purity and with a good conscience. And if we cannot live in such innocency of life, as we ought, grant us so to bewail the evils that we have done, that in the spirit of humility, and with firm purpose and good will, we may zealously serve Thee with greater fervour and amendment, henceforth and for evermore. Amen.

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The Supper of the Lord

AND

Holy Communion,

COMMONLY CALLED

THE MASS.

"*What mean ye by this Service?*"

"*We commemorate His holy Passion, His Resurrection from the dead, His Ascension into heaven, His Session at Thy right hand, O Father: His second most glorious and terrible Advent from heaven. And we offer to Thee these gifts of Thy goodness, in behalf of all, and for all: moreover, we offer unto Thee this reasonable and unbloody Sacrifice.*" *(Liturgy of St. Chrysostom.)*

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The Divine Service.

¶ *When you go into Church say:*

O LORD, I will come into Thine house, even upon the multitude of Thy mercy, and will worship Thee in Thy holy temple, and praise Thy Name. I will go into Thine house with burnt offerings: and will pay Thee my vows, which I promised with my lips. In the Name of the Father, ✠ and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *When you take holy water, say:*

Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Preparatory Prayer.

Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of Thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Thy love, Who by a diversity of tongues didst gather all the nations of the world together in the unity of the faith.

℣. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be made.

℟. And Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

God, Who didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A prayer whereby to form the intention.

O Lord God, in Whose image I have been created; give me grace, that drawing nigh to this Sacrifice, I may take part therein with fitting reverence and devotion, and offer it together with Thy priest to Thy divine Majesty in a manner acceptable unto Thee. 1. To the honour and glory of Thy great Name, to which alone is this Sacrifice due. 2. In memory of the passion and death of the same Christ our Lord, for which end He commanded that this Sacrifice should be continued. 3. In thanksgiving for all Thy benefits bestowed upon me . . . . (especially . . . *here add any particular mercies, gifts, or graces, or your communion for which you desire to thank God*). 4. In satisfaction for all my sins and faults, the punishments that are my due, which, O Lord Jesus Christ, I pray may be washed away in Thy most holy Blood in this Sacrifice. 5. To obtain Thy

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grace and help in this my need . . . . (*here add what graces you seek*). 6. For my parents, friends, and benefactors . . . (especially . .). 7. For the rest and peace of the faithful departed . . . . *(here name those for whom you desire to pray)*. Let this my intention be pleasing to Thee, O Lord God, and hear me, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *When the priest has come before the Altar, he signs himself with the Cross, and says :*

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then with joined hands, he says with the minister :*

Antiphon. I will go unto the altar of God.

℟. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

PSALM xliii. *Judica me.*

Give sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people : O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

℟. For Thou art the God of my strength; why hast Thou put me from Thee : and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

O send out Thy light and Thy truth, that they may lead me : and bring me unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy dwelling.

℟. And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness : and upon the harp will I give thanks unto Thee, O God, my God.

Why art thou so heavy, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me?

℟. O put thy trust in God; for I will yet give Him thanks : Which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost.

℟. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

℣. I will go unto the altar of God.

℟. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

¶ *Then he signs himself and says :*

℣. Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

℟. Who hath made heaven and earth.

¶ *Then, with joined hands and humbly bowing down, he makes the Confession : But in Service for the dead, and of the season, from Passion Sunday until Holy Saturday, the Psalm, Glory, and repetition of the Antiphon shall be left out : and then directly after the Antiphon* I will go, *and the* ℣. Our help, *the Confession shall follow.*

I confess to God almighty, before the whole company of

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heaven, and to you, brethren, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, *he strikes his breast thrice, saying*, by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault. Wherefore I beg the whole company of heaven, and you, brethren, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

M. God almighty have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to everlasting life. P. Amen.

¶ *Then the minister makes the Confession, and where the priest said* to you, brethren, *and* you, brethren, *he says*, to thee, father, *and* thee, father.

¶ *Then the priest, with joined hands, says the Absolution :*

God almighty have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Signing himself with the Cross, he says :*

The almighty and merciful Lord, grant to us pardon, absolution, and remission of all our sins. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Then bowing down, he continues :*

℣. Wilt Thou not turn again, and quicken us, O Lord? ℟. That Thy people may rejoice in Thee. ℣. O Lord, shew Thy mercy upon us. ℟. And grant us Thy salvation. ℣. O Lord, hear my prayer. ℟. And let my crying come unto Thee. ℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

¶ *Then, going up to the Altar, he says :*

We beseech Thee, O Lord, to take away from us all our iniquities: that we may be worthy, with pure minds, to enter into Thy most Holy place. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then bowing down, with hands joined upon the Altar, he says :*

We pray Thee, O Lord, that for the sake of all Thy Saints (especially of St. . . . whom we commemorate to day), it may please Thee to forgive me all my sins. Amen.

¶ *If the Altar is to be censed, the priest here blesses the incense, saying :*

Be thou bles✠sed by Him, in Whose honour thou shalt be burned. Amen.

¶ *Then he takes the censer, and censes the Altar, saying :*

Let my prayer, O Lord, be set forth in Thy sight as the incense: and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice. Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and keep the door of my lips. O let not mine heart be inclined to any evil thing: let me not be occupied in ungodly works with the men that work wickedness.

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¶ *When the Altar has been censed, the celebrant is himself censed by the minister.*

¶ *Then, at the Epistle side, which is the south side, unless it be the custom of the Church to begin the Service on the north or gospel side of the Altar, the priest signs himself with the Cross, and with joined hands reads the* INTROIT, *which see in its place, according to the day: which ended, he says the following prayers:*

OUR Father, Which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Almighty God, unto Whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from Whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy Name. Through Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Then turning to the people, with joined hands, he rehearses the Commandments: you can hear him, and respond with the minister; or say what follows below, or any prayers by way of contrition, or such other as your devotion may suggest from those at the beginning of the book.*

GOD spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God: thou shalt have none other gods but Me.

℟. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them; for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation, of them that hate Me, and show mercy unto thousands, in them that love Me, and keep My commandments.

℟. Lord, have mercy.

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His Name in vain.

℟. Lord, have mercy.

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son,

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and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

℟. Lord, have mercy.

Honour thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long in the land, which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

℟. Lord, have mercy.

Thou shalt do no murder.

℟. Lord, have mercy.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

℟. Lord, have mercy.

Thou shalt not steal.

℟. Lord, have mercy.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

℟. Lord, have mercy.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is his.

℟. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these Thy laws in our hearts, we beseech Thee.*

¶ *You may, in the meanwhile, say the following:*

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, the fountain of goodness, Father unbegotten, from Whom all good things do come, have mercy upon us. O Lord, the God of might and power, Who didst set man, the transgressor of Thy commandments, free, have mercy upon us. O Lord, Whose Son Emmanuel has renewed that which Adam the first man lost, have mercy upon us.

Christ, the Only-begotten Son of the Father, Whom the holy Prophets wondrously foretold should be born into the world of a Virgin, have mercy upon us. Christ, the Begotten, Who didst come to do away the guilt of Adam, have mercy upon us. Christ, true Victim of the Father on high, our life, and our salvation, have mercy upon us.

Lord, Who dost give us the manifold gifts of Thy Spirit, with which both heaven and earth are filled, have mercy upon us. Lord, lover of virginity, Maker and Spouse of Mary, have mercy upon us. O Lord, Thou divine fire, kindle the flame

* *According to the Sarum use, and the first English prayer book, the Gloria in Excelsis was said here, immediately following the Kyrie.*

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of Thy love within our breasts, that we may ever be able worthily to praise Thee, have mercy upon us.

Have mercy upon us, most kind Lord Jesus Christ, and spare Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious Blood; and be not angry with us for ever. Remember us, O Lord, in Thy good pleasure, and visit us with Thy salvation, that we may see the felicity of Thy chosen, and rejoice in the gladness of Thy people, and give thanks with Thine inheritance. Amen.

¶ *Or you may pray thus:*

O Lord, my God, Thou art all my good, and who am I, that I should dare speak to Thee? I am Thy poorest, meanest servant, and a most wretched worm, much more poor and contemptible than I can conceive, or dare express. Yet remember, O Lord, that I am nothing, I have nothing, and can do nothing. Thou alone art good, just, and holy: Thou canst do all things; Thou givest all things; Thou fillest all things, only the sinner Thou leavest empty. Remember then Thy tender mercies, and fill my heart with Thy grace, Thou Who wouldest not that Thy works should be in vain and empty.

How can I bear myself up in this wretched life, unless Thou strengthen me with Thy grace and mercy? Turn not Thy face away from me; delay not Thy visitation; withdraw not Thy comfort, lest my soul become as a barren and dry land without Thee. Teach me, O Lord, to do Thy will; teach me to live worthily and humbly in Thy sight; for Thou art my wisdom, Who dost most truly know me, and didst know me before the world was made, and before I was born in the world. Amen.

¶ *During the last Kyrie the celebrant turns again to the Altar, and extending and joining his hands, he says:*

Let us pray.

¶ *He then recites one of the following Collects for the Queen, bowing towards the Cross at the conclusion, so having regard to the Lord's Name.*

ALMIGHTY God, Whose kingdom is everlasting and power infinite; have mercy upon the whole Church; and so rule the heart of Thy chosen servant *Victoria*, our *Queen* and Governour, that *she*, knowing Whose minister *she* is, may above all things seek Thy honour and glory: and that we, and all *her* subjects, duly considering Whose authority *she* hath, may faithfully serve, honour and humbly obey *her*, in Thee and for Thee, according to Thy blessed word and ordinance. Through Jesus Christ our

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Lord, Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

Or,

Almighty and everlasting God, we are taught by Thy holy Word, that the hearts of kings are in Thy rule and governance, and that Thou dost dispose and turn them as it seemeth best to Thy godly wisdom: we humbly beseech Thee so to dispose and govern the heart of *Victoria* Thy servant, our *Queen* and Governour, that, in all *her* thoughts, words, and works, *she* may ever seek Thy honour and glory, and study to preserve Thy people committed to *her* charge, in wealth, peace, and godliness. Grant this, O merciful Father, for Thy dear Son's sake, Jesus Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

¶ *The book, if it be not already there, is now carried to the Epistle side: the priest kisses the Altar, turns him to the people and says:*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.

The priest:—Let us pray.

¶ *Then he says the* COLLECT *or* COLLECTS *for the day (one, three, or five are generally said), which ended, he goes on to the* EPISTLE, *saying:*

The Epistle is written in the —— chapter of ——.

Or, The Lesson is written in the Book of ——.

¶ *While the Epistle is being read, you may kneel; when it is ended, the minister answers:*

Thanks be to God.

¶ *Then the priest reads the* GRADUAL, *and* ALLELUIA, *or* TRACT, *or* SEQUENCE, *as may be appointed.*

¶ *Which ended, the book being moved to the north side of the Altar, he bows down in the midst, with joined hands, and says the following prayers: but if incense be used, the priest blesses the incense here, using the form above:*

Cleanse my heart and my lips, O almighty God; and as Thou didst purge the lips of the Prophet Isaiah, with a live coal: so of Thy gracious mercy vouchsafe to purify me, that I may be able worthily to declare Thy Holy Gospel. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Send me, O Lord, Thy benediction. The Lord be in my heart and upon my lips: that worthily and fitly I may proclaim His Gospel: in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then going to the book, the priest says:*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.

¶ *Then he makes the sign of the Cross, with the*

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thumb of his right hand, on the Gospel he is about to read, on his forehead, mouth, and breast, and says :[1]

The Holy Gospel is written in the —— Chapter of St. ——.

¶ *If incense is used, the Gospel is now censed. The priest is censed, at the ending of the Gospel, after he has said the words* Our sins, &c.

¶ *The minister and people sign themselves and say :*

℟. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¶ *Then the priest reads the* GOSPEL, *which ended, the minister and people answer :*

℟. Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

¶ *The priest kisses the Gospel, except at Requiem for the Dead, and says :*

Our sins be blotted out by the teaching of the Gospel.

¶ *Then in the midst of the Altar the priest extending his hands, says,* I believe in one God, *then joining them, he recites the rest of the Creed. All kneel from the words,* And was Incarnate *to* was made Man. *At the words* is worshipped, *all bow, and at* the life of the world to come, *all make the sign of the Cross from the forehead to the breast.*[1]

I BELIEVE in One God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible :

And in One Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten not made, Being of one Substance with the Father, By Whom all things were made : Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, *Here kneel,* And was Incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made Man, *Here rise,* And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead : Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One Holy Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the

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life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.[2]

¶ *If either of the long Exhortations be read, it is more convenient that it be read here.*

¶ *The priest turns himself while he reads this Exhortation. If you do not follow him, kneeling, occupy yourself with other devotion.*

Dearly beloved in the Lord, ye that mind to come to the holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ, must consider how Saint Paul exhorteth all persons diligently to try and examine themselves, before they presume to eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup. For as the benefit is great, if with a true penitent heart and lively faith we receive that holy Sacrament; (for then we spiritually eat the Flesh of Christ, and drink His Blood; then we dwell in Christ, and Christ in us; we are one with Christ, and Christ with us;) so is the danger great, if we receive the same unworthily. For then we are guilty of the Body and Blood of Christ our Saviour; we eat and drink our own damnation, not considering the Lord's Body; we kindle God's wrath against us; we provoke Him to plague us with divers diseases, and sundry kinds of death. Judge therefore yourselves, brethren, that ye be not judged of the Lord; repent you truly for your sins past; have a lively and steadfast faith in Christ our Saviour; amend your lives, and be in perfect charity with all men; so shall ye be meet partakers of those holy Mysteries. And above all things ye must give most humble and hearty thanks to God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, for the redemption of the world by the death and passion of our Saviour Christ, both God and Man; Who did humble Himself, even to the death upon the Cross, for us, miserable sinners, who lay in darkness and the shadow of death; that He might make us the children of God, and exalt us to everlasting life. And to the end that we should alway remember the exceeding great love of our Master, and only Saviour, Jesus Christ, thus dying for us, and the innumerable benefits which by His precious blood-shedding He hath obtained to us; He hath instituted and ordained holy Mysteries, as pledges of His love, and for a continual remembrance of His death, to our great and endless comfort. To Him therefore, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, let us give (as we are most bounden) continual thanks; submitting ourselves wholly to His holy will and pleasure, and studying to serve Him in true holiness and righteous-

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ness all the days of our life. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Then the priest kisses the Altar, and turns him to the people and says :*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

The priest : Let us pray.

¶ *Then, for the* OFFERTORY, *he reads the sentence appointed for the day, or one of these sentences following :*

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father Which is in heaven. *Matt.* v.

Lay not up for yourselves treasure upon the earth, where the rust and moth doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither rust nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. *Matt.* vi.

Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do unto them: for this is the Law and the Prophets. *Matt.* vii.

¶ *Then the priest takes the paten with the Hosts, and offering them, says :*

RECEIVE, O holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, this undefiled Host;[3] which I, Thine unworthy servant, offer unto Thee, my God, the living and the true, for my numberless sins, offences, and negligences; for all here present; and for all faithful Christians, both quick and dead: that to me and to them it may avail for salvation unto everlasting life. Amen.

¶ *He makes the sign of the Cross with the paten, places it upon the corporal, and then pours wine and water into the chalice, first blessing the water before it is mixed, saying :*

O God, ✠ Who didst wonderfully create and yet more wonderfully renew the dignity of human nature: grant that, by the mystery of this water and wine, we may be made partakers of His divine nature, Who vouchsafed to become partaker of our manhood, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, One God: world without end. Amen.

¶ *At Requiem for the Dead the foregoing prayer is said, but the water is not blessed.*

¶ *Then the priest takes the chalice, offering it, saying :*

We offer unto Thee, O Lord, the Cup of salvation, humbly beseeching Thy mercy: that in the sight of Thy divine Majesty, it may go up for a sweet-smelling savour for our salvation, and for that of the whole world. Amen.

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¶ *He makes the sign of the Cross with the chalice, puts it upon the corporal, and covers it with the pall. Here the alms of the people should be brought and presented; after they have been offered, they are removed by the minister to the credence. Bowing down, with hands joined upon the Altar, he says:*

In an humble spirit, and with a contrite heart, let us be accepted, O Lord, by Thee: and so let our Sacrifice be in Thy sight to-day, that it may be well pleasing[4] unto Thee, O Lord God.

¶ *Then the priest raises, extends, and joins his hands, raising his eyes towards heaven, and straightway casting them down, blesses the Oblations, saying:*

Come, O Thou the Sanctifier, almighty and everlasting God: And ble✠ss this Sacrifice prepared for Thy Holy Name.

¶ *Then he covers the Hosts with the right corner of the corporal, and, if incense is used, he blesses it, saying:*

At the intercession of Blessed Michael the Archangel, standing at the right hand of the Altar of Incense, and of all His Elect, the Lord vouchsafe to ble✠ss this incense, and to receive it as a sweet-smelling savour. Through Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Then he thrice censes the Oblations, saying:*

Let this incense which Thou hast blessed, ascend unto Thee, O Lord: and let Thy loving mercy descend upon us.

¶ *Then he censes the Altar, saying:*

Let my prayer, O Lord, be set forth in Thy sight as the incense: and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice. Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and keep the door of my lips. O let not mine heart be inclined to any evil thing: let me not be occupied in ungodly works with the men that work wickedness.

¶ *As he returns the censer to the minister, the priest says:*

The Lord enkindle in us the fire of His love, and the flame of everlasting charity. Amen.

¶ *Then the celebrant himself is censed; and afterwards he washes his hands, saying:*

PSALM xxvi. 6. *Lavabo.*

I will wash my hands in innocency, O Lord: and so will I go to Thine Altar; that I may shew the voice of thanksgiving: and tell of all Thy wondrous works. Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy house: and

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the place where Thine honour dwelleth. O shut not up my soul with the sinners : nor my life with the bloodthirsty; in whose hands is wickedness : and their right hand is full of gifts. But as for me, I will walk innocently : O deliver me, and be merciful unto me. My foot standeth right : I will praise the Lord in the congregations. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *At Service for the Dead, and of the Season during Passion-tide,* Glory be *is left out.*

Then bowing down, with joined hands, at the Altar, the priest says :

Receive, O Holy Trinity, this Oblation, which we offer unto Thee, in memory of the Passion, Resurrection, and Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ : and in honourable commemoration of Blessed Mary Ever Virgin, of Blessed John Baptist, of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, of these and all the Saints : that it may avail to the increase of their glory, and to the furtherance of our salvation. And may they, whose memory we celebrate on earth, vouchsafe to intercede for us in heaven. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then the priest kisses the Altar, and says :*

Brethren, pray that both my Sacrifice and yours also may be acceptable to God the Father almighty.

¶ *The minister answers, or the priest himself says :*

The Lord receive this Sacrifice at thy (my) hands, to the praise and glory of His Name, and to our benefit, and the benefit of all His holy Church. Amen.

¶ *Then, extending his hands, the priest reads the* SECRET COLLECT; *in concluding which he audibly says,* World without end.

Priest. World without end.

℟. Amen.

If you do not say the above prayers with the priest, you can pray thus :

O Lord, Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, and of the Blessed Virgin, in remembrance and praise of Thy boundless love whereby Thou didst give Thyself wholly to us upon the Altar of the Cross, behold, I offer to Thee this day this Sacrifice of the Eucharist, together with all those which by the hands of Thy priests are being celebrated throughout the world, to be presented to Thy eternal Father, in union with, and in virtue of, that oblation in which Thou Thyself, dying upon the Cross, didst offer Thy sacred Body and Blood for the salvation of the world.

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Grant that the oblation of that same Body and Blood, which is here mystically renewed, and made under the form of bread and wine, may obtain effectually its proper fruit; that thereby the living may obtain grace; the faithful departed rest; and those for whom the sacrifice is offered, mercy and everlasting life.

Accept also, O Lord, this same Sacrifice, which contains in itself the fruit of Thy Passion and Death, as an act of thanksgiving for the innumerable benefits Thou hast bestowed upon us, and a propitiation and satisfaction for the countless sins we have committed, the good we have omitted to do, and the punishment we have deserved. Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. Amen.

Pray for the celebrant priest.

Let thy priests, O Lord, be clothed with righteousness; especially he who now stands at Thine Altar, and prays for us, that Thou wouldest spare Thy people, and not give Thine heritage to destruction. Grant that he may be holy, as Thou art holy Whom he serves; that, by the purity of his life, he may approve himself worthy to minister at Thine Altar, and with due reverence honour these Thine all-holy Mysteries, and the majesty of Thy Name.

Behold, this Sacrifice which he now offereth, and whatsoever he hath hitherto offered, or shall hereafter offer, do I now offer unto Thee, in union with that reverence with which Thou, O great High Priest, didst offer Thyself for us, and hast willed to be offered up by Thy ministers in the Church. Amen.

¶ *After which done, the priest turns to the people, and extending and joining his hands, says:*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

¶ *Then he turns to the Altar, and says this prayer, with hands extended:*

ALMIGHTY and ever-living God, Who by Thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men; We humbly beseech Thee most mercifully to accept our [alms and] oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto Thy Divine Majesty; beseeching Thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess Thy holy Name may agree in the truth of Thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love.

We beseech Thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Govern-

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ours; and specially Thy servant *Victoria*, our Queen; that under her we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto her whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of Thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth Thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer Thy holy Sacraments:

And to all Thy people give Thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive Thy holy Word; truly serving Thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech Thee of Thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless Thy holy Name for all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear; beseeching Thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom:

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

℟. Amen.

¶ *The priest turns to the people, and says:*

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in His holy ways; draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

¶ *Then shall this general Confession be made, in the name of all those that are minded to receive the Holy Communion, by the minister kneeling, the priest standing, and turned to the Altar:*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against Thy Divine Majesty, provoking most justly Thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is

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grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please Thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then the priest, turning himself to the people, pronounces this Absolution.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, Who of His great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto Him; have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Then he says, with hands joined:*

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith, unto all that truly turn to Him:

COME unto Me all that travail, and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

So God loved the world, that He gave His Only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith:

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Hear also what Saint John saith:

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the Righteous, and He is the propitiation for our sins.

¶ *The priest turns to the Altar, raises and extends his hands, and says:*

LIFT up your hearts.

℟. We lift them up unto the Lord.

℣. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

℟. It is meet and right so to do.

℣. It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty everlasting God.

¶ *Here shall follow the Proper Preface, if one is appointed, if not there shall follow immediately:*

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the holy company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious Name; evermore praising Thee, and saying,

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts.

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Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord most High. Amen.

Blessed is He that cometh ✠ in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest.

PROPER PREFACES.

¶ *Upon* Advent Sunday *and daily until Christmas Eve inclusively, except on days which have a Proper Preface.*

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; Whom Thou, the merciful and faithful God, didst promise as a Saviour to lost mankind, by Whose truth the ignorant should be instructed, by Whose holiness the ungodly should be justified, by Whose power the weak should be holpen. Now therefore, when the time in that Thou shouldest send Him draweth near, and now that the day of our deliverance already shineth; trusting in these Thy promises with holy joy we do rejoice. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon* Christmas Day, *and seven days after, and upon the Feast of the* Purification.

BECAUSE Thou didst give Jesus Christ, Thine only Son, to be born as on this day (*or* at this time) for us: Who by the operation of the Holy Ghost was made Very Man, of the substance of the Virgin Mary His Mother: and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon the* Epiphany, *and seven days after.*

BECAUSE that when Thine Only-begotten Son manifestly appeared in substance of our flesh, He restored unto us life and light by the new light of His immortality. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon* Ash Wednesday, *and daily until Passion Sunday, except on days which have a Proper Preface.*

WHO, by this our bodily fast, dost overcome the lust within us, dost raise our minds into Thyself, and dost give unto us not only strength, but also the promise of a heavenly reward, through Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon* Passion Sunday, *and daily until Maundy Thursday, except on days which have a Proper Preface, and upon both Feasts of the* Holy Cross.

WHO by a Tree didst give salvation unto mankind: that whence death arose, thence Life also might rise again: and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels, &c.

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¶ *On* Maundy Thursday, *and at Masses of the Blessed Sacrament.*

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord, the true and everlasting High Priest, the only Priest without spot of sin: Who at the Last Supper, when ordaining the order of the perpetual Sacrifice, first offered up Himself as a Victim unto Thee, and first taught that He was to be offered: by Whose Flesh, sacrificed for us, we are strengthened while we eat Thereof, and by Whose Blood poured forth, we are cleansed while we drink Thereof. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon* Easter Eve, *and daily until the Ascension; except on days which have a Proper Preface.*

BUT chiefly are we bound to praise Thee (upon this night,) for the glorious Resurrection of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for He is the very Paschal Lamb, Which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world. Who by His death hath destroyed death, and by His rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon* Ascension Day, *and daily until Whitsun Eve.*

THROUGH Thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Who after His most glorious Resurrection manifestly appeared to all His disciples, and in their sight ascended up into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where He is, thither we might also ascend, and reign with Him in glory. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon* Whitsun Eve, *and daily until Trinity Sunday; and at all Masses of the Holy Ghost. Out of the Season of Pentecost the words* this day *or* time *are left out.*

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord. According to Whose most true promise the Holy Ghost came down as on this day (*or* at this time) from heaven, with a sudden great sound, as it had been a mighty Wind, in the likeness of Fiery Tongues, lighting upon the Apostles, to teach them, and to lead them to all truth: giving them both the gift of divers languages, and also boldness with fervent zeal, constantly to preach the Gospel unto all nations, whereby we are brought out of darkness and error into the clear light, and true knowledge of Thee, and of Thy Son Jesus Christ. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon* Trinity Sunday, *and at all Masses of the Holy Trinity.*

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in

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all places, give thanks unto Thee, O Lord Almighty, Everlasting God. Which art one God, one Lord. Not one only Person, but three Persons in one Substance. For that which we believe of the glory of the Father, the same we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, without any difference, or inequality. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon* Corpus Christi Day, *and seven days after, except on days which have a Proper Preface.*

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord, Who dispersing the empty shadows of carnal sacrifices, gave us His Own Body and Blood to be our Sacrifice, that in every place there might be offered unto Thy Name that pure Oblation, with which alone Thou art well-pleased. So then in this Mystery of unsearchable wisdom, and boundless love, He ceaseth not marvellously to work that which He once for all finished upon the Cross; Himself the Offerer, and Himself the Oblation. And making us to be one sacrifice together with Himself, He calleth us to a sacred banquet, wherein He is Himself received as our meat, wherein the remembrance of His Passion is called to mind, the soul is filled with grace, and an earnest of glory to come is given unto us. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *On* All Saints' Day, *and seven days after, except on All Souls' Day.*

WHO art glorified in the council of the Saints, and Who, in crowning their worthiness, dost crown Thine own gift: Who by them affordest us an ensample of godly conversation, the communion of holy fellowship, the aid of prayers and intercessions: so that, having so great a cloud of witnesses about us, we may run with patience the race that is set before us, and with them obtain the crown of glory that fadeth not away; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by Whose Blood an abundant entrance is ministered unto us into His everlasting kingdom. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon all Feasts of the* Blessed Virgin Mary, *during Octaves of the same, except the Purification.*

AND it is meet that we should praise, bless, and magnify Thee, on this the . . . . . of the blessed and glorious Ever-Virgin Mary. Who also, by the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost, conceived Thine Only-begotten Son; and, the glory of her virginity still abiding, brought forth to this world, the everlasting Light, Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon all Feasts of* Apos-

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tles *and* Evangelists *and during their Octaves.*

AND it is meet that we should humbly beseech Thee, O Lord, everlasting Shepherd, that Thou wouldst not leave Thy flock: but, through Thy blessed Apostles, keep it ever by Thy continual protection: that it may be governed by those rulers, whom in Thy stead, Thou hast appointed over Thy work, as shepherds of Thy people. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon the Feasts of the* Transfiguration *and the* Name of Jesus.

BECAUSE that by the mystery of the Word made Flesh, fresh light from Thy brightness hath lightened the eyes of our minds: that while we acknowledge God in visible form, we may by Him be borne away to the love of those things that are invisible. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *On the Feast of the Dedication of a Church, and seven days after.*

WHO, as the Giver of all good things, dost dwell in this House of Prayer which we have builded; and by the unceasing work of Thy grace dost hallow the Church which Thou Thyself hast founded. For this is truly that House of Prayer which is shadowed by these visible buildings, this is the temple of the habitation of Thy glory, the throne of unchanging truth, the holy place of everlasting love. This is the ark which bringeth us, who are delivered from the deluge of the world, into the haven of salvation. This is the beloved and only Bride, which Christ hath purchased with His Blood, and quickeneth by His Spirit; in whose bosom we, who have been regenerate by Thy grace, are fed with the milk of the Word, are strengthened with the Bread of life, are comforted by the help of Thy mercy. This is that Bride that, holpen by her Bridegroom, faithfully fighteth upon earth, and, crowned by Him, triumpheth for ever in heaven. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *At Requiem for the dead, and at the Burial of infants.*

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord, in Whom Thou hast given unto us the hope of a blessed resurrection; that while the certainty of death maketh sad our natural man, the promise of immortal life to come may give consolation to our faith. For to Thy faithful people their life is not taken away, but changed; that the house of their earthly habitation being dissolved, they may gain a house eternal in the heavens. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *The priest, kneeling down at the Altar, with hands*

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resting thereon, says the following prayer :

WE do not presume to come to this Thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in Thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under Thy Table. But Thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy : Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the Flesh of Thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink His Blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by His Body, and our souls washed through His most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. ℟. Amen.

¶ *He continues secretly, (and at a Sung Service, while the Benedictus is being chanted by the Choir,) do you unite your prayers with his. Rising, he kisses the Altar, and extending and joining his hands, bowing profoundly, with hands placed on the Altar, he says :*

THEE therefore, O most merciful Father, through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, we most humbly pray and beseech. that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to accept and to bless these ✠ Gifts, these ✠ Offerings, these ✠ holy and unspotted Sacrifices, (*extending his hands*) which we offer unto Thee, in the first place for Thy Holy Catholick Church : that Thou wouldest be pleased to keep it in peace, to preserve, unite, and govern it throughout the world ; and also for Thy servant our Primate *N.*, our Bishop *N.*, and for all the orthodox, and the worshippers of the Catholick and Apostolick Faith.

BE mindful, O Lord, of Thy servants and handmaids *N.* and *N.* (*here, joining his hands, he makes mention of all for whom he intends to pray*), and of all here present, whose faith Thou knowest, and whose devotion Thou beholdest : for whom we offer unto Thee, or who do themselves offer unto Thee this Sacrifice of praise, for themselves, and all that belong to them, for the redemption of their souls, for the hope of their salvation and safety : and who pay their vows unto Thee, the eternal, living, and true God.

JOINING in communion with, and reverencing the memory, chiefly of the glorious and ever Virgin Mary, mother of our God and Lord Jesus Christ : as also of Thy blessed Apostles and Martyrs, [Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Thaddeus : Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Laurence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cos-

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mas and Damian,] and of all Thy Saints; for whose sake and prayers do Thou grant that in all things we may be defended by the help of Thy protection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THIS oblation therefore of our service, and also of Thy whole family, we beseech Thee, O Lord, graciously to accept; and do Thou order our days in Thy peace, and bid us to be delivered from eternal damnation, and to be numbered in the flock of Thine elect. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Which oblation do Thou, O God, we beseech Thee, vouchsafe, in all respects, to make bless✠ed, ap✠proved, rati✠fied, reasonable, and acceptable: that it may become to us the Bo✠dy and Blo✠od of Thy most dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

¶ *The priest with hands extended and raised says:*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, Who of Thy tender mercy didst give Thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; Who made there, by His one oblation of Himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in His holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that His precious death, until His coming again;

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech Thee; and grant that we receiving these Thy creatures of bread and wine, according to Thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of His death and passion, may be partakers of His most blessed Body and Blood:

Who, in the same night that He was betrayed, took Bread; and, when He had given thanks, He brake it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, Take, eat,

¶ *Saying the words distinctly, attentively, in one breath, without pause:*[5]

THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU:

¶ *First genuflecting, then elevating the Host, he says:*

Do this in remembrance of Me.

¶ *Genuflecting, then uncovering the Chalice, continues:*

Likewise after supper He took the Cup; and, when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for

¶ *Saying the words distinctly, attentively, in one breath, without pause:*

THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS.

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¶ *First genuflecting, then elevating the Chalice, he says :*

Do this, as oft as ye shall drink It, in remembrance of Me. ℟. Amen.

¶ *At the Consecration make an act of faith and worship : you can use any form of words, or one of the following, or simply worship without words, wondering at the love, power, and humility of your Saviour.*

Hail! saving Victim, offered for me and all mankind upon the Cross of suffering; Christ, eternal King, Man crucified for men, look upon Thy most holy Flesh, with nails, for my sake, fastened to the Cross, and pierced through with the lance.

I worship Thee, and bless Thee, O Christ, for by Thy Cross and Passion Thou hast redeemed the world.

Or,

Hail, true Body. *Prayer* 96.

Or,

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who art a Priest for ever, and hast said: My Flesh is meat indeed, and my Blood is drink indeed, I believe that Thou art the Christ, Who didst come into the world, and art present in this Sacrament. Lord, increase my faith.

Grant that as I have been permitted to see Thee now under the form of bread, so when Thou shalt come to judgment, I may be found worthy, in sure trust and joy, to behold Thee in Thy glorious Majesty, and may enjoy Thee for ever, in the kingdom of eternal brightness; where with the Father and the Holy Ghost, Thou livest and reignest God, world without end. Amen.

¶ *At the Consecration of the Chalice :*

O Saviour of the world, Who by Thy holy Cross and precious Blood, hast redeemed the world, save us, and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

Hail, most precious Blood, flowing from the Side of my Lord Jesus Christ, and washing out the stains of every sin, old and new; cleanse, sanctify, and preserve my soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

Or,

Soul of Christ. *Prayer* 14.

Or,

O most loving Lord Jesus, I beseech Thee by the pouring forth of Thy most sacred Blood, grant that I may die to the whole world, with all my sins, offences, and evil desires, and by the greatness of Thy love may I cease from myself, and live to Thee only, and in Thee alone. Amen.

O God, be merciful to me a sinner; take away from me

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whatever is displeasing in me, pour into me whatever is pleasing to Thee, turn me wholly to Thy praise and glory, and Thy well-pleasing, O Jesus, my Lord and my God. Amen.

¶ *Choose from the above what you like best; or instead of using any words, worship Jesus Christ in silent, humble, loving adoration; be guided much by your devotion, and the intention of your sacrifice.*

¶ *Covering the Chalice, then genuflecting, he continues with hands extended:*

WHEREFORE, O Lord, we Thy servants, together with Thy holy people, having in remembrance the blessed Passion of the same Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, as also His Resurrection from hell, and His glorious Ascension into heaven; do offer unto Thy most excellent Majesty, of Thine own gifts bestowed upon us a pure ✠ Offering, a holy ✠ Offering, a spotless ✠ Offering, the holy ✠ Bread of eternal life, and the Cup of everlasting ✠ salvation.

UPON which vouchsafe to look, with a favourable and gracious countenance: and to accept them even as Thou wast pleased to accept the gifts of Thy righteous servant Abel, and the sacrifice of our patriarch Abraham, and that holy sacrifice, that spotless offering, which Thy high priest Melchisedech offered unto Thee.

¶ *Bowing down profoundly, with hands joined and placed upon the Altar, he says:*

WE humbly beseech Thee, Almighty God: command these offerings to be carried by the hands of Thy holy Angel to Thine Altar on high, before the sight of Thy divine Majesty: that as many of us as are partakers at this Altar, shall receive the most sacred Bo✠dy and Blo✠od of Thy Son, may be filled with all heavenly bene✠diction (*signing himself*) and grace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

BE mindful also, O Lord, of the souls of Thy servants and handmaids N. and N., who have gone before us with the sign of faith, and rest in the sleep of peace. (*He joins his hands and prays for the dead, then extending them, continues:*) To these, O Lord, and to all that rest in Christ, grant, we beseech Thee, a place of refreshment, of light, and peace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Here, striking his breast once, he says:*

TO us also Thy sinful servants, trusting in the multitude of Thy mercies, vouchsafe to grant some part and fellowship with Thy holy Apostles and Martyrs, [with John, Stephen, Matthias,

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Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Mercellinus, Peter, Felicitas, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia,] and with all Thy Saints : into whose company we beseech Thee to admit us, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences. Through Christ our Lord.

BY Whom, O Lord, Thou dost ever create all these good things, (*signing the Chalice and Host thrice*) dost hal✠low, quick✠en, ble✠ss, and bestow them upon us: (*thrice signing with the Host from lip to lip of the Chalice*) By ✠ Him, and with ✠ Him, and in ✠ Him be unto Thee, (*twice between the Chalice and his breast*) O God the Father ✠ almighty, in the unity of the Holy ✠ Ghost : (*elevating the Chalice and Host together*) All honour and glory : (*having replaced Them*) World without end. ℟. Amen.

¶ *With hands joined he says :*

Let us pray.

AS our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us we are bold to say, (*extending his hands :*)

Our Father, Which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation.

℟. But deliver us from evil. *Priest*, Amen.

¶ *Then the Priest says* Amen, *takes the Paten between his forefinger and middle finger, and says :*

DELIVER us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, from all evils, past, present, and to come: and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious Ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of God, and of Thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, of Andrew, and of all Saints : *Here he signs himself from forehead to breast with the Paten :* Mercifully give peace in our time: that we, being holpen by the aid of Thy mercy, may ever be set free from sin, and safe from all disquiet. *Here he puts the Paten under the Host, uncovers the Chalice, kneels, rises, takes the Host, and breaks It through the midst, over the Chalice, saying :* Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. *Then from the Particle in his left he breaks a small Portion, saying :* Who liveth and reigneth, with Thee in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God. *Here he puts the larger Part in his left hand on to the Paten, still holding the smaller Portion in his right hand over the Chalice, which he holds with his left hand, and says :*

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World without end. ℟. Amen.

¶ *He signs thrice over the Chalice with the smaller Portion, saying :*

The peace ✠ of the Lord be ✠ alway with ✠ you.

℟. And with thy spirit.

¶ *He puts the smaller Portion into the Chalice, saying :*

LET this commixture and consecration of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ be to us that partake thereof, effectual unto eternal life. Amen.

¶ *He covers the Chalice, kneels, rises, and bowing down before the Sacrament, with joined hands, he thrice smites his breast, saying :*

O LAMB of God, That takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, That takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, That takest away the sins of the world, grant us Thy peace.

¶ *At Requiem for the Dead, he leaves out* have mercy upon us, *and says instead* Grant them rest *thrice, adding* everlasting *at the third repetition. Then with joined hands and placed on the Altar, he bows down, and says secretly the following prayers :*

O LORD Jesu Christ, Who saidst unto Thine Apostles : peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you : regard not my sins, but the faith of Thy Church, and vouchsafe to grant unto her that peace and unity which is according to Thy will. Who livest and reignest God, world without end. Amen.

¶ *At Requiem for the Dead the foregoing prayer is not said.*

O LORD Jesu Christ, Son of the living God, Who according to the will of the Father, and by the co-operation of the Holy Ghost, hast by Thy death given life unto the world : deliver me, I beseech Thee, by this Thy most sacred Body and Blood, from all mine iniquities, and from every evil, and make me ever to cleave unto Thy commandments, and suffer me never to be separated from Thee. Who with the same God the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest God, world without end. Amen.

LET the partaking of Thy Body, O Lord Jesu Christ, which I, though unworthy, presume to receive, not turn to my judgment and condemnation : but according to Thy loving-kindness let it be profitable unto me for the receiving of protection and healing both of body and soul. Who with God the Father, in the Unity of the

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Holy Ghost, livest and reignest God, world without end. Amen.

¶ *He kneels, rises, and says :*

I WILL receive the Bread of Heaven, and call upon the Name of the Lord.

¶ *Then he takes both Parts of the Host between the thumb and forefinger of his left hand, and the Paten between the forefinger and middle finger of the same, while with his right hand he smites his breast, saying thrice :*

LORD, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

¶ *Then with his right hand he signs himself with the Host over the Paten, saying :*

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

¶ *He then receives both Parts of the Host, joins his hands, and remains silent for a space. Then uncovers the Chalice, kneels, rises, and clears the Paten of Fragments over it (that is to say, if a Ciborium is used from which to give Communion to the people), saying :*

WHAT reward shall I give unto the Lord for all the benefits that He hath done unto me? I will receive the Cup of Salvation, and call upon the Name of the Lord. I will call upon the Lord Which is worthy to be praised, so shall I be safe from mine enemies.

¶ *Then he takes the Chalice, and signing himself with it, says :*

THE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

¶ *Then he receives the Precious Blood, with the Particle of the Host.*

¶ *When the priest communicates, and you yourself are not about to communicate sacramentally, do not neglect spiritual Communion, if you would assist at the Sacrifice with profit.*

O MY good God, and sweet Saviour Jesus, Who art present here for my sake, and givest Thyself to me for daily Food, and for the supply of all my necessities. (My own unpreparedness forbids me, O Lord, to receive Thee sacramentally ;) yet since without Thee, Who art the true Food of my soul, I cannot live, I humbly beseech Thee, to refresh me spiritually, and make me partaker of that grace, of which they are sensible, who devoutly and worthily receive Thee. O good Jesus, despise me not, but vouchsafe to visit Thy servant, and by Thy

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grace to work and perfect all the effects and virtues of Thy holy Sacrament in me; to Thy honour, O my God, and the eternal salvation of my soul. Amen.

O most gracious God, Father of mercies: grant, I beseech Thee, that this adorable Sacrifice of the blessed Body and Blood of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, which here and everywhere, throughout Thy holy Church, is offered as a continual thanksgiving for, and a daily remembrance of His blessed death, may obtain for us at Thy hands, mercy, and the remission of all our sins. Amen.

¶ *While the people are communicating, give yourself to prayer. You will find much to help you from among the devotions at the beginning of the book. See Index, page* 50.

¶ *If you are going to communicate, say the prayer of humble access, and the two prayers above,* O Lord Jesu Christ, *and* Let the partaking, &c.: *or on page* 45, I pray Thee also: *or any other prayers from among those of Preparation: or you may pray thus:*[6]

O sacred Banquet, in which Christ is received, the memory of His Passion is renewed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given unto us.

I adore Thee, O Lord Jesus, with lively and true faith, here truly present by the might of Thy wonderful power, wisdom, and goodness, in Thy Body and Soul, in Thy Flesh and Blood. I hope in Thee, O Thou fountain of all goodness and mercy! I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof; but speak the word only, Thou Who canst do all things by Thy will alone, and my weak and miserable soul shall be healed.

I love Thee, O Lord, Who art so loving unto me, with my whole heart, more than myself and all things; and therefore do I now desire to receive Thee, that I may feed on Thee, and be changed into Thee, and be made one spirit with Thee; that nothing may separate me from Thee, but that I may cleave unto Thee for ever.

O my Lord, I am not worthy to approach Thee. The heavens are not pure in Thy sight; how then can a heart so wretched as mine receive Thee? And yet I cannot resolve to depart, to bid Thee depart from me. One only word from Thee would suffice to cleanse my soul: speak then, Lord; say to my soul, I am thy Salvation. And since Thou art pleased to unite Thyself to me, do Thou Thyself prepare me for the happiness of receiving Thee. Jesus, most loving Jesus, have mercy on me.

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¶ *You will find more help for Communion under the next method of being present at the holy Sacrifice. Choose your prayers of thanksgiving from those at the beginning of the book.*

¶ *Those who are about to Communicate should go up to the Sanctuary at the Communion of the priest.*

¶ *When the priest delivers the Sacrament of the Body of Christ, he says to every one these words :*

THE Body ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ Which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat This in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on Him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

¶ *And delivering the Sacrament of the Blood, says :*

THE Blood ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ Which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink This in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

¶ *When all have communicated, the priest, if needs be, first clears the Paten of Fragments into the Chalice, and then consumes all that remains of the Sacrament of the Blood; this done, going to the south side of the Altar, he holds out the Chalice to the minister, who pours therein a little wine, which the priest drinks, saying :*

GRANT, O Lord, that what we have taken with our lips, we may keep with a pure heart : so may this temporal gift become unto us everlasting healing.

¶ *Then wine and water are rinsed over his fingers into the Chalice, which he drinks, and then wipes his fingers and the Chalice, saying :*

LET Thy Body, O Lord, Which I have taken, and Thy Blood, Which I have drunk, cleave unto my soul : and grant that no stain of sin may remain in me, who have been refreshed by such pure and holy Sacraments. Who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

¶ *This done, the priest folds the Corporal, and at the Epistle side of the Altar, reads the* COMMUNION, *the sentence proper for the day.*

¶ *Then, if he does not make the ablution here, genuflecting and rising, in the midst of the Altar, extending his hands, says :*

OUR Father, Which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our tres-

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passes, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then he kisses the Altar in the midst, and turns him to the people, and says:*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.

¶ *Then he reads the* POST COMMUNION, *with hands extended, either of these Collects following, or the Post-Communion Collects proper for the day, at the Epistle side of the Altar, but if the Blessed Sacrament be not consumed, he stands in the midst of the Altar, first saying:*

Let us pray.

O LORD and heavenly Father, we Thy humble servants entirely desire Thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our Sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching Thee to grant, that by the merits and death of Thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in His Blood, we and all Thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of His Passion. And here we offer and present unto Thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto Thee; humbly beseeching Thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with Thy grace and and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto Thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech Thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by Whom, and with Whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto Thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. ℟. Amen.

Or this:

ALMIGHTY and ever-living God, we most heartily thank Thee, for that Thou hast vouchsafed to feed us in these Holy Mysteries with the spiritual Food of the most precious Body and Blood of Thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and hast assured us, duly receiving the same, of Thy favour and goodness toward us, and that we be very members incorporate in the mystical Body of Thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people, and heirs through hope of Thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious Death and Passion of Thy dear Son. We therefore most humbly beseech Thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with

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Thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works, as Thou hast prepared for us to walk in. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Then the Gloria in excelsis is said or sung; the priest extends and then joins his hands, and slightly bends his head at the words,* Glory be to God on high; *he continues with hands joined. At the words,* We worship Thee, *and* We give thanks to Thee, *and* Jesus Christ, *and* receive our prayer, *all bow: and at the last words,* with the Holy Ghost, *all sign themselves from the forehead to the breast.*

GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the Only-begotten Son Jesus Christ: O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. (Thou That takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.) Thou That takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou That sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord; Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

¶ *Then the priest turns him to the people and says:*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.

¶ *Then bowing down in the midst of the Altar, he says:*

LET this my bounden duty and service be pleasing to Thee, O Holy Trinity: and grant that this Sacrifice, which I, although unworthy, have offered up in the sight of Thy Majesty, may be acceptable unto Thee, and may through Thy mercy obtain Thy favour for myself, and for all for whom I have offered it. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then he blesses the people, saying:*

THE Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, ✠ the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. ℟. Amen.

¶ *At Requiem for the Dead, this Blessing is not given.*

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¶ *If the ablutions were not taken after the Communion of the people, they shall be made here.* *See page* 80.

¶ *Then, going to the Gospel side of the Altar, and standing there, he says :*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.

¶ *Then he reads the following Gospel, or some other Gospel as may be appointed, according to the day, during which you need not stand.*

Here beginneth the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

℟. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

ST. JOHN i. 1.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. And the Light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, Which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not. He came unto His own, and His own received Him not. But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. *Here he kneels.* AND THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

¶ *The minister answers :*
Thanks be to God.

¶ *When a Feast falls upon a Sunday, or other day which has a proper Gospel of its own, the Gospel of the day is read instead of the Gospel of St. John.*

¶ *Collects to be said, as occasion serves, at the discretion of the priest.*

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of Thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by Thy most gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, to

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direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of Thy laws, and in the works of Thy commandments; that through Thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. ℟. Amen.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the words, which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through Thy grace be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favour, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy holy Name, and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, Who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; we beseech Thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in Thy Son's Name; we beseech Thee mercifully to incline Thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and supplications unto Thee; and grant, that those things, which we have faithfully asked according to Thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of Thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

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NOTES.

[1] If you are following the service with the priest, stand at the Gospel and the Creed: say the Creed in an audible and even tone of voice, it is a Catholic custom to kneel or bow profoundly, but not to whisper the words of the Incarnation and Passion. If it happen that the Mass is sung, and the music of the Creed takes some time, the priest usually sits in the sedilia, with his ministers on the right and left of him. Having recited the Creed, you can also sit, or kneel, occupying yourself in the meanwhile, either trying to let your affections be elevated by the teaching of the music, or in meditation, or saying some of your intercessory prayers, or other devotions; at least be on your guard against standing or sitting in a listless and thoughtless frame of mind.

[2] It is not necessary to stand while the alms are being collected, neither at a sung service while the hymn or offertory is being sung by the choir. You will find it more helpful to devotion to kneel down at the conclusion of the Creed, giving your alms when the opportunity comes, and to occupy yourself with following the priest in his prayers of oblation, or collecting your own desires and intentions in prayer, which you wish to unite in the offering of the Sacrifice. You may be in some doubt as to the matter of kneeling generally; some persons suffer from fatigue and faintness from walking, and fasting for their communion, and abstain from sitting down during the Service, from fear of being irreverent. It would seem that there is no absolute necessity to kneel until the Sanctus: but do not take a permission, granted to the weak, as a rule for yourself, unless you find it more conducive to devotion and meditation so to rest for a time. At least, if you are punctilious, you may sit at the Epistle and Gradual, and from the end of the Creed to the Church Militant Prayer. Be careful however not to act as if you thought that sitting gives licence to inattention or even sloth.

[3] The bread by anticipation is called a pure, unspotted, undefiled host, because all the prayers that go before, and follow the consecration, have reference to the moment of consecration, when the Victim becomes present, and is offered to God.

[4] The Sacrifice of the Altar is necessarily pleasing to God of itself, since the Victim there offered is "that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, Whom God the Father hath sealed," of Whom He also said, "This is My beloved Son." But the oblation, which sinful man makes of this Victim, the prayers which accompany the oblation, and the communion, by which he partakes of what has been offered, may be done in a way displeasing to God, by reason of his frailty, or unbelief, or some unfitness. And as the oblation and prayers and communion make part of the Sacrifice, we must beg the grace of God to go through with it, so that it may be pleasing to Him.

[5] At the consecration, a very sensible as well as being an old Catholic custom obtains of ringing a bell; in order that worshippers may not be disturbed or distracted in their prayer and solemn thoughts by watching the priest, in order to find out the moment of consecration. If the bell is rung, it is rung three times at each consecration. 1. At the first genuflection or profound inclination of the priest immediately after the words of consecration. 2. At the elevation. 3. At the second genuflection or deep inclination. According to the Sarum use, the priest did not

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genuflect, but inclined his body and bowed his head in adoration of the Sacred Presence.

Some persons follow the practise of striking the breast at consecration; it signifies—1. That we need here a humble and sincere faith towards God, to subject the capacity of our understanding to the word of God. 2. It denotes with what a vehement and hearty desire we should be led to that heavenly Food, which is here shewn and set before us. 3. How earnestly we must detest those sins, which make us unworthy of participating in that Sacrifice.

The breast must be struck with the publican, who, with great sorrow of heart, reproached as it were his own heart, which had been the source and nursery of the sins he had himself committed, and begged that that fountain of all evil might again be purified by the Lord.

6 If you are going to communicate, do not keep the priest waiting; it is better to go up to the Altar, while he is communicating himself. When at the altar rails, kneel upright, and if it be your custom to receive the Sacred Host on the palm of your hand, lift up your hands (being crossed), at least as high as your mouth; you will thus avoid a wrong habit, which some persons practise from a perverted idea of external devotion, that of bending the head and body down when the priest approaches with the Eucharist, and of holding their hands so low as to give him much trouble and inconvenience in delivering the Sacrament. We must remember that although our Lord comes to us truly in a state of humility, we at least must go forth to meet Him, so we must be ready, and not crouch down as if in abject fear and terror, for this does not show a loving and eager devotion.

If, however, it be your custom to receive the Host in your mouth, let your head be conveniently lifted up, that without difficulty your mouth may be reached; the eyes shut, or reverently bent downward; the lips unmoved, moderately open, yet not as if gaping: let the tongue touch the inner side of the lip to receive the Host, and bring It into the mouth; which, being reverently held on the tongue till it be moistened, may so be easily swallowed, without chewing or raising It to the roof of the mouth. Whilst receiving the Chalice, in the same way, let your body be erect; if you take the Chalice in your hands, be ready when the priest comes, so as not to keep him waiting, for we must remember that there are others waiting besides ourselves. If you do not take the Chalice in your hands, keep your head lifted up, as before for receiving the Host; should you bend your head, it is impossible for the priest to see your mouth. Persons little think how much they can assist a priest in giving communion, if they will be prepared at the moment, and take the Sacrament in a convenient and fitting posture. The best and right time to receive the Sacrament from the priest is at the beginning of the words of delivery, not in the middle of them at the second paragraph, nor at the end. Some persons do not make themselves ready till the middle or end of the words, unmindful that they are keeping the priest waiting with the Sacrament. When there are many to be communicated, the priest sometimes omits the second paragraph, only saying it once, either for each railful of communicants, or at the end of the Communion. But at least do you be waiting and ready prepared directly the priest comes to you, for the gift he conveys to you is infinitely greater than the words which he uses.

After receiving, genuflect, return to your place at once; be careful not to put your handkerchief to your lips, and spend at least a quarter of an hour in thanksgiving, which you may begin at once.

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A Method of Assisting at the Holy Sacrifice, for Communion.

As the former method is especially intended for what is commonly called hearing Mass, that is, for offering up the Holy Sacrifice, and making a spiritual Communion, saying the words of the Service together with the priest, as the means of devotion and expression of prayer and manner of offering; so this method following will be found useful sometimes as a change, when you communicate; not saying the words of the Service, but spending the time in prayer and meditation. At the same time observe, that the first method given will be very fit and helpful, since it provides for Sacramental Communion also, by following the priest with the words of the Service. It is arranged that you can at your will and choice change the matter of your devotion, so varying it as shall be agreeable to your intention, and suitable to the occasion, whether of Sacramental or Spiritual Communion, and equally for Sacrifice and worship. Those who are in the habit of attending the Holy Sacrifice daily, will find it a refreshing change to hear Mass by way of prayer and meditation; they too will find this form of some little assistance.

¶ *A Guide to form a particular intention.*

I especially wish to venerate and pay devotion, by this most holy Sacrifice and by my Communion, to the mystery

e. g., of the Incarnation, the Passion, the Eucharist: &c.

e. g., to the Commemoration of St. N., whose prayers and intercessions I humbly ask, and whose virtues I seek to imitate: &c.

e. g., to give thanks for this benefit, *e. g.*, my Baptism, Confirmation, Orders, the gift of any grace, an answer to prayer: &c.

e. g., to pray for pardon for my sin, *e. g.*, of pride, luxury, anger: &c.

e. g., to obtain this virtue, *e. g.*, of humility, chastity, patience: &c.

e. g., to obtain the grace, *viz.*, of spiritual consciousness, of devotion, of perseverance, of fortitude, &c.

May this my intention be accepted by Thee, O Lord, and mayest Thou will to have it ratified and confirmed, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

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¶ *Be it noted that the following prayers may be shortened or lengthened at will; some may be dwelt upon at one time, and others left out: you will do this, learning by degrees so to frame devotion as shall best help your intention.*

You may occupy yourself in this way from the time of entering church to the Gospel, or the Creed, or Offertory, or even up to the time of Consecration, or Communion: do not feel yourself obliged always to carry out the same rigid form, excepting always, that you are mindful of the approach of Consecration, that you may worship at that moment.

I. *Examine your conscience first of all, briefly, to the end of gaining contrition, that you come not unworthily. Think likewise of your lighter faults, so often repeated, your soul's inordinate affections, that you may obtain greater and the most fitting fruit from this Sacrament. Conceive an inward grief for your sins, with a firm purpose of amendment.*

O MY most loving God, my Creator, and my Saviour! from the bottom of my heart I am sorry that I have ever offended Thee, my Lord and my God,—Thee, Whom I ought to love above all things, because Thou art good above all, and hast given me the greatest blessings; and I, alas, wretched, and ungrateful sinner as I am, have returned Thee only evil for good.

But, be Thou merciful unto my sins, O Lord; for now I firmly purpose and resolve to offend Thee no more, and to shun all occasions of sin. And therefore I now desire to receive this Sacrament, that I may be strengthened in the love of Thee, and be defended against all occasions of sin; that Thou mayest abide in me, and I in Thee.

II. *Think if you come to these Mysteries with an upright and pure intention, or only from custom, or some unworthy or unthought for cause. To sift the intention is of very great use, so that it be done without too great scrupulosity, because the intention gives the character to every act; and on it depends its worth. Pray after this manner:*

I DESIRE, O God, to offer Thee this Sacrifice, to the praise and glory of Thy Name; for the benefit of my own soul, and of all Thy holy Church. An offering of a free heart will I therefore give unto Thee, and I will praise Thy Name, O Lord, for it is good.

For what else can I seek for, beside Thee, O my God, and my all! If I have Thee, what have I not? If I wor-

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ship Thee for Thine own sake, Thou wilt be my exceeding great reward. What have I in heaven but Thee, and what is there on earth that I can wish for apart from Thee? For Thou Thyself art the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup; Thou art He that shalt maintain my lot.

¶ *You can make a more particular intention at the Offertory.*

At The Lord be with you, *before the Collects.* And with thy Spirit. Thy Spirit be with me, and my spirit be with Thee, O beloved Jesus, Whose delights are to be with the sons of men.

¶ *At the Collects you can pray.*

O LORD God of loving-kindness, hear the prayers of Thy people, and let their cry come unto Thee, from all parts of the Christian world. Turn not away Thy face from us in the time of our trouble, I beseech Thee, on account of our sins, but incline Thy face unto us, and favourably hear the prayers of this servant Thy priest supplicating at Thine Altar for the salvation of Thy people; and grant to each and to all, according to Thy good pleasure, that what they ask of Thee, they may obtain of Thy great mercy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Or you can use the following prayer for a worthy reception of the Eucharist.*

THOU, O Lord of hosts, Who hast need of nothing, and willest by Thy Sacrament to dwell within us, keep my heart and my body spotless, that with a pure and quiet conscience I may often (celebrate and) receive unto my salvation Thy sacred Mysteries, which Thou hast instituted especially for Thy honour and a continual memorial, and hast commanded them to be taken and eaten. Grant, O Lord God of my salvation, that with the frequency of Thy Mystery, both by worshipping and receiving, the affection of my devotion may increase. Behold I pray Thy clemency and favour, and for this end I specially beseech Thy grace. Prevent me, most loving and most faithful Lover, with the blessings of Thy sweetness, and grant that I may be wholly absorbed and melted in Thee, and may admit of no other consolation within me. Amen.

¶ *If you do not read the Epistle, you can pray thus.*

O ETERNAL God, Who never ceasest by the public ministry of Thy Church, by the doctrine and warnings of Apostles, Prophets, and other holy men, to stir up us, Thy unworthy servants, to the worship and love of Thy holy Name, and to de-

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fend us against the snares of the world, the flesh, and the devil; grant, we beseech Thee, that we may all ever embrace, from our hearts, those wholesome truths and counsels, and may earnestly endeavour to fashion our whole life and manners according to them.

And lest, at length, it should turn to our deeper condemnation, to have known the way of truth, and Thy holy will, through so many instructors and preachers, and yet not to have done it; give us grace and strength, that what we so often know it is our duty to do, we may be able to bring the same to good effect. Amen.

¶ *If you do not stand, and read the Gospel, pray thus:*

O LORD Jesus Christ, Word of the Father, Who didst come as a Teacher from God; and when on earth, and visibly conversing with men, didst teach us the way of God in truth; Thou ceasest not at this day also to teach us by the writings of the Evangelists, and by the preachers of Thy Word. Give us understanding to receive Thy saving doctrine. Kindle our affections also with longing desire for heavenly wisdom, and teach us to do Thy will; that the faith which cometh from the hearing of the Gospel, and which we speak with our tongues, may be confessed also in the goodness of our lives; that it may not tend to deepen our guilt and punishment, to have known the will of God, and done it not. For, both to know and to do is the work of Thy grace alone; seeing that of ourselves we are unprofitable servants, and all our sufficiency is of Thee. Amen.

¶ *It is more common to recite the Creed, than use any prayer in its place, unless you are spending the whole time of the Divine Service in meditation. However, you can pray thus:*

O LORD God, grant that we may all continue in the true and sincere profession of the Holy Catholic Faith, unto our lives' end; and exercising ourselves here in all holiness and piety, we may hereafter receive of Thee, O Lord, the crown of righteousness, which Thou hast laid up for Thine elect. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *At the conclusion of the Creed, kneel down, and enter more particularly into the ends of the Sacrifice.*

III. *It is a Sacrifice of worship to be offered to God in acknowledgment of His supreme dominion, and as the highest worship due to His supreme Majesty.*

O LORD, Thou art worthy, for Thy supreme excellency, wisdom, and power, to

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receive praise and glory and honour from every creature. Therefore will I praise Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart, and glorify Thy Name for ever. I will offer unto Thee the Sacrifice of praise, and pay my vows unto Thee, O Thou most highest. Be Thou blessed and praised, and glorious, and highly exalted above all for ever.

IV. *It is a peace offering, to be offered to God in thanksgiving for His numberless benefits.*

WHAT shall I render unto the Lord for all the benefits that He hath done unto me? Who hath so often forgiven me all my iniquities, and crowneth me, moreover, with mercy and loving-kindness: Who satisfieth continually my desires with good things, and provideth so bountifully both for my soul and body. I am less than the least of all Thy mercies, O Lord; for great is Thy mercy towards me.

Because Thou hast made me, O Lord, I owe Thee myself; and seeing that Thou hast made me again by Thy Son, Who became Man for me, I owe Thee more than myself.

But what am I? dust and ashes. And what all besides? Wind and vanity. And, moreover, O Lord, Thou hast no need of ought that is mine. Behold, therefore, Thy beloved Son! Him, do I offer unto Thee, O Father, seeing that I can present nothing better or more acceptable than Him, in Whom Thou art well pleased.

V. *It is propitiatory, to be offered to God as a means of obtaining pardon of our sins.*

O LORD, now that I am so lovingly invited to Thy rich Feast, what shall I do, miserable, poor, naked, and having no wedding garment; conscious too of so many sins, by which I have merited Thy wrath rather than Thy grace? Behold the Mediator between God and man, Christ Jesus, Thy Son. Him do I offer unto Thee; Him, Who did no sin, yet was made the Propitiation for our sins, and Who washed us in His own Blood.

Look, O Lord, upon the face of Thy Christ, and see in His life what labours, in His passion what torments, in His death what sorrows, He endured for us. All these do I offer unto Thee in satisfaction for my sins; and that by means of this Sacrifice, by virtue of it, Thou mayest impart to me the virtue and efficacy of those sufferings; and mercifully pardon mine offences, neither take Thou vengeance of my sins.

VI. *It is impetratory, to be offered unto God in supplication for obtaining bless-*

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ings of body and soul, and for turning away all evil, and that for ourselves, our friends, and enemies, the righteous and sinners, the living, the departed, &c.

O LORD, Who art rich in blessings, and bountiful in gifts; of Whom, and through Whom, and by Whom are all things; I am poor and needy. But what may we not obtain from Thee, Who hast given us the very fountain of all Grace, Thine Only-begotten Son; and together with Him hast bestowed upon us all blessings! In Him Thou hast laid up the countless treasures of grace, goodness, and wisdom, that He might be rich towards all.

Him, therefore, do I offer unto Thee, that through Him, Who intercedeth for us, and Who is worthy to be heard, in that He feared, Thou mayest give to Thy Church increase and peace, to the righteous perseverance, pardon to sinners, rest and refreshment to the departed, and to all of us Thy grace, and in the end, life everlasting.

VII. *Because this Mystery was instituted by Christ in remembrance of His Passion, it will be profitable to you, and pleasing to God, to offer it, specially directing your mind, in memory and veneration of the Lord's Passion. You will find several prayers among those of the preparation, setting forth this devotion.*

¶ *Or you may pray thus at the Offertory, instead of using any or all of the above devotion.*

RECEIVE, O holy Trinity, this oblation which I offer unto Thee in memory of the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, and grant, that being acceptable in Thy sight, it may ascend to Thee and avail for the eternal salvation of myself, and of all the faithful; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Another prayer.

O Lord God, Father Almighty, Who through Jesus Christ Thine only Son, hast instituted a new and wondrous oblation; which the Church, by tradition from the holy Apostles, makes to Thee throughout the world, O God, the great Creator of all things, offering under a hidden mystery, the first fruits of Thy creatures and gifts, to wit, bread and wine mingled with water, soon to be consecrated into the Flesh and Blood of Thy beloved Son; that by the same oblation we may re-present Him, Who is the living Bread, descending from heaven, and giving life unto the whole world: Vouchsafe, most gracious God, mercifully to accept this oblation, which Thy Catholic Church offers to

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Thee by the priest, for all Thy people, whom Thou hast purchased with the precious Blood of Thy dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ *If you do not say the general Confession, you may pray thus:*

O Lord, Who justifiest the wicked, and givest life to the dead, quicken and raise me up: O Lord, give compunction to my heart, and tears to my eyes, that I may ever bewail the wickedness of my sinful life, with humility, and a firm purpose of amendment. Let my prayer come before Thy presence, O God: if Thou be angry with me, to whose help shall I flee? or who shall have mercy upon mine iniquities? Remember O Lord, that Thou calledst the woman of Canaan and the publican to repentance, and didst receive Peter after his tears; receive also my prayers, O God my Saviour, Who livest and reignest for ever. Amen.

O Lord of hosts! blessed is the man that trusteth in Thee. Why art thou, then so vexed, O my soul; and why art thou so disquieted within me? Hope thou in God, the fountain of all goodness, and the author of all grace, Whom thou hast present in the Sacrament. Draw near to Him with trust and confidence, for He is good and gracious, and of great goodness unto all them that call upon Him. He alone can give all things, for He is Lord over all; yea, He willeth to give us all things, for He is supremely good.

O God, my hope! therefore my heart rejoices, because, when I receive Thyself in this Sacrament, I have a good hope that Thou wilt withhold nothing, Who hast given us Thyself. In Thee, O Lord, do I put my trust, O let me not be disappointed of my hope.

¶ *Or you may use this pouring forth of the heart.*

Almighty and everlasting God, what great shame should I feel before the eyes of Thy Majesty, when I come to Thee, so deformed, so destitute, so filthy, so low, so wretched and ungrateful, bringing nothing with me, but a heap of mine iniquities. And to whom shall I bewail this, but to Thee, my Lord, Thyself Who art most merciful, Who art the physician of souls, and their most loving Saviour? Heal me then, O most piteous Lord, by Thy wounds, wash me in Thy Blood, purify me by Thine infinite loving-kindness. Give me all the merits, the virtues, the righteousness, all the glory of Thy life, Thy passion and Thy death, O most faithful lover and Redeemer. Grant me too the benefit of all the good deeds and virtues of Blessed Mary and all Thy

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Saints, and especially of those whom the Church commemorates to-day. Grant me too a share of all the holy desires, the devotions, the virtues of Thy friends, and Thine elect, who are in the world, and especially who are of this congregation, make them, I beseech Thee, O Lord God, to stand before Thee with me, to offer this Sacrifice with me, and to be made partakers of the same graces with me, that the shame and ignominy of my nakedness and worthlessness appear not in Thy sight. Enlighten, I beseech Thee, O everlasting God, my heart by Thy visitation, and drive all darkness away from me. Make me sensible, with all fear and reverence, with deep humility and with burning love, of Thine abiding presence, so that I may be overwhelmed in the depths of the knowledge of my own nothingness, and of Thy goodness. Kindle my heart, I pray Thee, with such strong and burning love, as drew Thee down to us, and to death for our sakes. With such fire, O glorious, blessed, merciful God, let my heart ever burn, that Thou mayest draw all the strength, all the power, every motion of my soul up to Thee, absorb it in Thee, and so do Thou most mercifully grant, that I may for ever and inseparably be made one with Thee. Amen.

¶ *At the Sursum Corda :*

LIFT up our hearts, O heavenly Father, I beseech Thee, from worldly cares, and the thoughts of earthly things, to meditate on Thy heavenly joys; that we may direct all our thoughts, words and deeds, to serve and glorify Thee, so that after this life, we may enjoy Thee for ever. Amen.

It is very meet, right, just and necessary to salvation, that we should always, and in all places give thanks to Thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. By Whom the Angels praise Thy Majesty, the Dominions worship Thee, the Powers tremble, the Heavens, and the heavenly Virtues, and the blessed Seraphim in one common joy celebrate Thy glory; together with whom we pray Thee that our voices may be heard, while we say with humble confession of praise: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth, Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest. Amen.

¶ *Before Sacramental or spiritual Communion, which may be used in the place of the prayer of humble access; or immediately before Communion, especially*

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when asking grace against any particular sin or temptation.

JESU, Son of God, have mercy upon me. Behold, I a most miserable, vile, ungrateful, worthless sinner come to Thee, crying nothing else than this: Most pitiful, most merciful Jesu, Son of the living God and of the holy Virgin, have mercy on me. Have mercy on me, for it is not possible for Thee to be unwilling to have mercy upon the wretched. Full of and oppressed with all manner of sin, I have this alone that I can do, which is to call upon Thee. Have mercy upon me, O God, after Thy great goodness and mercy. I confess to Thee, O Lord God, all my sins. Yea, Thou Thyself seest how vile I am, how full of wickedness and all uncleanness, how destitute and in need of all virtue, how full of shame and unworthy. Therefore for all my faults, negligences, my vices and ingratitude, I come to Thee most loving Redeemer, begging and beseeching of Thee full remission, Thy pardon and grace. Grant me now, for the remainder of my life, and especially at my death, a true, perfect, and most sincere contrition for my sins, a perfect amendment of my life, according to Thy good pleasure, and after the imitation of Thy life. See me now, most merciful Lord Jesus, an ungrateful and wretched sinner. See me, whom Thou day by day dost help with so many benefits, upon whom Thou spendest such love, that I am nothing without Thee, of what great things through poverty and want I am ever in need. Give me then continual, fervent, pure and thorough love, that with my whole heart I may love Thee in all things, and above all things without measure, that I may seek Thee only and Thy honour in will and intention, resign myself wholly to Thee, and altogether leave myself to Thy good pleasure.

Oh, most merciful Jesus, grant that this holy contrition and love may grow together daily in me, and at length so increase in strength, that in comparison with the greatness of my grief, which I have for having offended Thee, so good a God, and from the earnestness of my love and my desire of Thee, that in death my heart may rest in Thee, and I may breathe forth my spirit into Thy hands. This I beg of Thee, most loving Jesus, this I beseech of Thee, by Thy wounds, by Thy griefs, by all Thy drops of blood shed for me, by Thy death, yea by Thy love and goodness, I beg and beseech Thee by Thyself, O my God, Who for me wast made Man, and didst deliver Thyself into captivity, and to the Cross and to death, for which I

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worship and thank Thee for ever, that Thou wouldest grant to me to give up my heart and my spirit into Thy hands, in the fulness, power and perfection of sincere contrition, and fervent love.

O most sweet Jesus, give to all the living and departed now the same grace, virtue and fruit of Thy passion and death, which Thou didst work for all upon the Cross. Behold now, O God of loving-kindness, I come to Thee, do Thou prepare in me a place for Thyself, and receive Thyself within me, as Thou art worthy to be received, that henceforth both dead to the world and myself, I may live only in Thee, cleave only unto Thee, and so obtain by Thy grace to be made one with Thee. Amen.

¶ *An oblation which may be made before Consecration.*

O MOST merciful Lord Jesus Christ, in remembrance of Thy blessed Incarnation, Death, and Passion; in remembrance of Thy wounds, sorrows, tears, and precious drops of Blood; in remembrance of Thine infinite love to mankind: I humbly offer this holy Sacrifice, and in union therewith, and with that all-saving oblation, which Thou didst make upon the Cross, I offer myself, with all that I am or have, to Thy praise and glory, beseeching Thee to give to the living, grace; and to the departed, rest and peace; and to all, mercy and everlasting life. I commend to Thee, O Lord, my soul and my body, all my thoughts, words and actions, most humbly beseeching Thee to have mercy upon me, and all those for whom I am any ways bound to pray.

¶ *Before Consecration.*

Enlighten, O Lord Jesus Christ, the minds of us Thy servants, that we may be worthy to behold Thy most sacred Body and Blood under the veils of bread and wine, to the great comfort and health of our souls, the increase of our faith, and the setting forth of the worship of Thy great love and power and glory. Amen.

¶ *At the Consecration.*

I WORSHIP Thee, and I bless Thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, Who hast redeemed us by Thy death upon the Cross. O most loving Jesus, by the shedding of Thy most sacred Blood, I beseech Thee, make me to die to the whole world with all my sins, my faults and desires, and by the fire of Thy love may I decrease of myself, and live to Thee and in Thee only. Amen.

O my Creator and Redeemer, I bless Thee for Thy loving memorial, which Thou hast left us in this venerable Sacrament, and I beseech Thee by the change of the bread and wine into Thy Body and Blood, and by the

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change of divine wrath into mercy at the time of Thy crucifixion and death, that Thou wouldest throughly change and convert me and all sinners to Thee, and direct me and all that is committed to me to a good end. Amen.

¶ *After the elevation, pray that the Father Which is in heaven will vouchsafe to look down and behold His Son, Whom we offer to Him in satisfaction for our sins, for the supply of all our negligences, and in thanksgiving for all His benefits.*

O FATHER of mercies, behold this living Victim, which here and everywhere the whole Church offers Thee; This I offer together with all the virtues and merits of Thine Only-begotten Son, in that love and virtue with which He offered Himself upon the Cross for us, for the taking away of all my sins, for the supply of all my negligences and defects, and for the thanksgiving and praise of all Thy benefits, as well as in memory of the Passion and love of Thy beloved Son, for me, and all Thy faithful, living and dead. O most merciful Father, do Thou receive Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ raised upon the Cross, hanging and dead thereon, and for His sake pardon us for all the sins we have committed against Thee. Hear us favourably in these our heartfelt petitions, and do with us according to thy great and boundless pity. Amen.

¶ *Oblation of Christ to the Father.*

Look down now, O Lord holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, from Thy Sanctuary, and from Thy dwelling place in the highest heavens, and behold this most sacred Victim, which our great High Priest, Thy holy Child, our Lord Jesus Christ offers Thee, for the sins of His brethren, and be favourable and forgiving to the greatness of our malice and sin, because the voice of the Blood of our Brother Jesus calls to Thee from the Cross. Behold, I have that which I may offer to Thee for my sins, through Him, and in Him according to the good pleasure of Thy most holy and glorious will. Amen.

¶ *A Prayer to our Lord in the Sacrament.*

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who didst take this Thy most sacred Flesh, and this Thy precious Blood, from the womb of the glorious Virgin Mary, and didst shed forth the same Blood upon the Altar of the Cross from Thy sacred Side for our salvation, and in this glorious Flesh didst rise again from the dead, and ascend into heaven, and wilt come again to judge both the quick and the dead: deliver us by this Thy most

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sacred Body, which is now lying upon the Altar, from all uncleanness of mind and body, and from every evil, past, present, and future. Amen.

¶ *A prayer of the affections.*

O MY GOD, the desire of mine eyes, the satisfaction of my heart, art not Thou enough for him that loveth Thee? whither shall we go beyond Thee? what seek, beside Thee? what desire except Thee? I beseech Thee to wound my soul with Thy love; to fulfil all my desires, so that nothing may please me, nothing attract me except Thyself; let me see Thee in all Thy creatures, and love every creature for Thy sake; let me cleave to Thee with earnest desire, and love Thee every moment with a pure love. Kindle my heart, Lord Jesu, with Thy holy and faithful love. Would that I might burn with Thy love! O loving Jesu, let the fire of Thy love ever burn in me, draw me after Thee; so shall I run, and not faint. Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so let my soul long after Thee, O God. Grant me, O kind Jesu, so enlarged a desire after Thee that no creature may be able to console me. O loving Lord Jesu Christ, chosen Bridegroom of my soul, I beseech Thee by Thy Heart, pierced by the spear, and wounded with love, to transfix, to wound, and to enkindle my heart with so great a love for Thee, that with all my heart, and with entire willingness I may love Thee, seek Thee, turn to Thee in all things, and above all things. I will love Thee, O Lord, with all my soul, and will turn to Thee only with all my affections. I will love Thee with all my mind, and will occupy my understanding and my memory with Thee and Thy glory only. I will love Thee with all my strength, and will devote all my powers of body and soul only to Thy praise, Thy love, Thy good pleasure. I will love Thee, O Lord my God, that Thou alone mayest possess, fill, and transform me. Amen.

¶ *Pray for a threefold enlightenment, through the gift of the Sacrament.*

O everlasting God, loving and most merciful, enlighten my heart, to the end that I may thoroughly know, with holy hatred and displeasure, my own depravity, my worthlessness and my ingratitude. May I know, most merciful Jesus, that I am and can be but nothing, and despise myself. May I desire from my heart to be despised by everybody, choose to be humbled, and delight to suffer injury and insult. O most kind Lord Jesus, pour into me a true knowledge of myself, a most perfect contrition and

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humility. Furthermore, I beseech Thee by Thy most tender mercy, O Lord my God, enlighten my heart that I may know and love Thy goodness, Thy loving-kindness, and Thy love towards me. Wound, I pray Thee, my heart with a pure, faithful, and fervent love of Thee. Fill my heart, sweet Jesus, with Thy most perfect and ever burning charity, that from my whole heart I may always thirst for Thee, always love Thee in all things, and above all things. O most gracious Jesus, my God and my all, I beg Thee, enlighten my heart that I may know, love, and perform all that is well-pleasing to Thee. Grant me a perfect self-denial and resignation, that in every way I may leave, go out of, mortify and resign myself to all Thy good pleasure. Grant me to believe that I am wholly under Thy good providence, to receive everything with thanksgiving at Thy hand, and to bless and praise Thee in everything. Make me, most merciful God, to spend all my life, all my time, all the acts and powers of my soul and body, together with all that I am and can be, to Thy praise, and love, and according to Thy good pleasure. Amen.

¶ *Or, before Communion you will find prayers Nos.* 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 *very profitable: or pray thus for grace, to receive the Sacrament worthily.*

O THOU Sovereign Father of mercies! look upon the face of Thy Christ, Who, with the most perfect love, was obedient to Thee unto death, even the death of the Cross; and by virtue of His merits, and remembering likewise the holiness, the prayers, and good deeds of the Virgin Mary, the holy Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors, Virgins, and all the Saints, and especially my Patrons N.N., give me grace to render Thee acceptable service and obedience. Grant, I beseech Thee, that through His merits and intercession, I may obtain those things which I am not worthy to ask.

O Jesus, Saviour of the world! Who camest to save sinners, and saidst: Come unto me, all ye that labour, and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you: behold, I a sinner, presume to come to Thee, for with Thee there is plenteous redemption.

I come unto Thee, from Whom I have erred and strayed as a sheep that is lost; but, O good Shepherd, Who didst lay down Thy life for Thy sheep, Who camest to seek and to save that which was lost, seek Thy servant, O Lord, for I do not forget Thy commandments.

I come unto Thee, pierced and weakened with many

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wounds, grievously oppressed with so many evil passions; but, Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me whole. Thou knowest that it is the sick who need a physician.

And Thou art that Samaritan, the true physician of our souls, Who hast borne our griefs; Thou art He that hast given, as the medicine for my soul, the Sacrament of Thy precious Body and Blood.

Have mercy, therefore, upon me, O Lord, and heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee. A troubled spirit is a sacrifice to Thee, O Lord! a broken and a contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise. This do I first offer unto Thee, that I may the more safely offer the sacrifice of Thy precious Body and Blood.

Break Thou, therefore, the bonds of my sins. So shall I worthily offer unto Thee the sacrifice of praise, and call upon the Name of the Lord. Amen.

¶ *When you go up to the Altar, recollect the words of Christ's invitation.*

COME, come, come unto Me, all ye that are weary, and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. The Bread which I will give is My Flesh, which I will give for the life of the world. Take and eat, this is My Body, which is given for you: do this in remembrance of Me. He that eateth My Flesh, and drinketh My Blood, dwelleth in Me and I in him.

These are Thy words, O Christ my God, in which, so good and kind, Thou hast invited me; lo, I come to eat of the Bread from heaven; I come, I come, I come to Thee, most loving Jesus, Whom I have sought, Whom I have chosen, Whom I have loved; on account of Thy sweetness, Thy loving-kindness, Thy love, with all my strength by loving Thee I will follow Thee, calling to me; but do with me after Thy goodness, and according to the multitude of Thy mercy, shew me the delights of Thy heavenly table, that I may see how sweet Thou art, my Lord, my most sweet and loving Jesus.

¶ *Occupy yourself with some such sentiments, while waiting near, or kneeling at the Altar; or instead of trying to use words, simply recollect that you are in the Sacred Presence, worshipping, and most unworthily drawing near to God's Board.*

Behold, I worship Thee; lo, I draw nigh unto Thee; O Bread of Angels, that Thou mayest draw me to Thee, and bring me thither, from whence I took my image and my first beginning. To Thee be praise, honour, and worship, henceforth and for ever. Amen.

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Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof; but it is Thou, O Lord, Who hast said; He that eateth My Flesh and drinketh My Blood dwelleth in Me, and I in him. Be favourable to me, a sinner, through the partaking of Thy Body and Blood, and grant, that I may not receive It to my judgment and condemnation, but by the gift of Thy mercy, for my salvation and the remission of all my sins. Amen.

¶ *As the priest is drawing nigh, be amazed at the love and humility of our Saviour.*

BEHOLD, the Bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet Him. He cometh, full of love, full of the desire of abiding with me, Whose delights are to be with the sons of men. Whence is this to me, that my Lord Himself should come to me? My God and my All, Who art Thou, and what am I?

Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest. May Thy worshipful Body, O Lord Jesus Christ, and Thy precious Blood, preserve my soul and body unto everlasting life. Amen.

¶ *Having received in either kind say:*

May Thy Body, and Blood, O Lord, Which I have received cleave to my soul, and grant that no stain of wickedness may remain in me, who have been refreshed with such pure and holy Sacraments. Amen.

¶ *Or at receiving in either kind you may use this form: but remember to be prepared to receive the Sacrament directly the priest stands before you; the efficacy of the Sacrament does not depend upon the words of administration: Christ's words at the Consecration have made the Sacrament to be what It is; consequently the words, said by the priest at the administration, though a pious form, add nothing to the efficacy of the Sacrament, which is the same to you, whether you hear the form or not.*

HAIL for evermore, most holy Flesh of Christ, to me above all things and before all things the sum of delight. The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ be to me, a sinner, the Way and the Life. In the Name ✠ of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Hail for evermore, Heavenly Drink, to me above all things and before all things the sum of delight. The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ avail to me, a sinner, for everlasting healing unto eternal life. Amen. In the Name ✠ of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

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¶ *Thanksgiving after Communion. When you have left the Altar, before actually beginning prayer, think a little while, what you have done, Who has visited you, Whom you have received; and then bring words to your help to express your praise and thanksgiving. You will find some of the words of the Magnificat and Te Deum, or the first six verses of Psalm* 103, *helpful for this purpose. Turn to any of the prayers of thanksgiving at the beginning of the book. Or if it be your practice, you may begin your thanksgiving at once with the Office of thanksgiving, page* 5.

WHAT return can I offer Thee, O Lord, for this inestimable mercy? Although I know that I am heavy laden with sin, and that the little good I possess is Thy gift, yet I desire from my heart to give Thee a pledge of my gratitude. Thou in this great Sacrament hast given Thyself wholly to me, it is but just that I should give myself wholly to Thee, and consecrate myself to Thy divine service. To Thee I devote all the powers of my soul, so that I may love Thee alone, contemplate Thee alone, and preserve a gracious memory of the mercies Thou hast shewn me. To Thee I devote my body which has been so many times sanctified by Thy divine Presence, that it may be a sacrifice holy and acceptable unto Thee, and with it I offer Thee my thoughts, that they may never offend against Thy divine will. To Thee also, O Lord, I offer my poor heart, take from it all that is evil, and make it a dwelling place of all virtues. Kindle it with divine love, that it may live and breathe only for Thee. Finally, O Lord, I pray Thee to accept, as a perpetual sacrifice, my entire self, soul, body, senses, powers, and all that I have and am. May they be no longer mine, but Thine.

¶ *It is not obligatory to stand while the Gloria in excelsis is said, neither need you recite it with the priest, you can in the meanwhile continue your thanksgiving. It is profitable to to use prayer No.* 81, *and expand it, in its several petitions, according to your spiritual wants: or you may use one or more of the following:*

Almighty and everlasting God, Jesus Christ our Lord, be merciful unto my sins, through the Holy Communion of Thy Body and Blood; for Thou hast spoken, saying: Whoso eateth My Flesh, and drinketh My Blood, dwelleth in Me, and I in him. Wherefore I humbly beseech Thee to make me a clean heart, and renew a right spirit within

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me; vouchsafe to stablish me with Thy free Spirit, to deliver me from all the snares of the devil, and from all vices; that I may be found worthy to have a share in the joys of heaven. Who livest and reignest God, world without end. Amen.

I render thanks to Thee, O most sweet Lord Jesus Christ, true Light, health of believers, comfort of the sorrowful, hope of all men, joy of Angels, that Thou hast vouchsafed this day to feed me, Thy servant, a miserable and great sinner, with Thy most sacred Body and Blood. Wherefore, I, most wretched man that I am, full of numberless offences, with tears and prayers implore Thy most tender mercy and supreme clemency, that this most sweet refreshment, this most excellent and incomprehensible Communion, may not turn to the condemnation of my soul, but let it aid me in driving away all the fraud and wicked snares of the devil, so that none of his iniquities may ever have dominion over my heart, body, soul, or senses: but let Thy gracious favour bring me to the heavenly banquet of the Angels, where Thou dost dwell, Who art true blessedness, light unclouded, everlasting joy. Amen.

Almighty, everlasting, and most merciful God, Who didst come to redeem sinners, I pray Thee by the most sweet Sacrament of Thy Body and Blood, the mystery which I unworthy have received, grant me forgiveness and remission of all my sins, both now and hereafter; that I may truly repent, persevere in good works, know Thee with my whole heart, do all such things as are pleasing to Thee with perfect love, meditate upon Thee with pure mind, and after this life never be separated from Thee. Who livest and reignest, God, world without end. Amen.

¶ *A prayer embracing all the virtues of the Eucharist, to be pondered over after Communion.*

Since Thou hast vouchsafed of Thy grace O Lord my God, to feed me with the Sacrament of Thy Body and Blood, so I pray Thee, do Thou likewise fill me with the operations and virtues of this Sacrament. Therefore by all Thy wounds, and by Thy pains and griefs, I beseech Thee, most loving Jesus, that the receiving of this Sacrament, may give the life of my soul such grace as may work both lively and godlike motions, purify me of my vices and sins, lessen the fuel and lust of sin, give strength and courage of heart, increase Thy grace and virtues within me, restore what has been destroyed and lost, (for alas! I am a grievous

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destroyer and dilapidator of Thy grace,) enlighten the darkness of my heart, preserve me from sin, defend me from the temptations and wiles of the devil, that it may make Thee Thyself a pledge to me of Thy adoption, fill and comfort me with the sweetness of Thy grace, enrich me with devotion, inflame me with Thy love, unite me to Thee, cheer my spirit, and at length, by Thy mercy, keep me safe secure and free from all future pains and punishments after my life is ended. Amen.

¶ *You may choose from any of the seven forms of thanksgiving, according to your time and inclination. Await the blessing of the priest at the conclusion of the Service, making the sign of the Cross, thus making application to yourself of the heavenly blessing. You may read the last Gospel, or say one of the following prayers, at your discretion.*

O most merciful Lord, Who hast not disdained to admit us, miserable sinners, even at this solemn hour, to stand in Thy presence, as well as to glorify and praise Thee; forgive me all faults that I have committed at this very time of prayer, whether by distracted occupation of mind, or yielding up my thoughts to foolish vain or sinful desires. Let not the enemy boast against me, that at the very time of praise, confession, communion and thanksgiving, I have not kept free from sin. Amen.

Accept, I beseech Thee, O eternal Father, as a thank-offering, the life and death of Thine Only-begotten Son; and thereby grant unto me that I may live to Thee, and serve Thee with all the members of my body, and all the powers of my soul.

O Lord, this my desire is before Thee, but Thine eyes have seen my imperfections N. Yet, behold, O Lord, I pay my vows N. unto Thee, in the presence of all Thy people; and mindful of Thy benefits and of Thy boundless love, I dedicate and devote to Thee all my works. I believe in Thee, and hope in Thee, and with my whole heart do I love Thee, O my God, my truth, my mercy, my refuge, and my all! Amen.

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Requiem.

A METHOD OF OFFERING THE HOLY SACRIFICE FOR THE REST AND PEACE OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED.

"Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends; for the hand of God hath touched me."—*Job* xix. 21.

"Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy."—*St. Matt.* v. 7.

¶ *Note, that you must use the masculine or feminine gender, the singular or plural number, according as it may happen for whom you are praying.*

¶ *Prayers which may be said before service begins.*

O MOST gracious Father of mercies, and God of all consolation, Who so lovedst the world, that Thou sparedst not Thine Only-begotten Son, but, to restore us, gavest Him up to the suffering of the most bitter death of the Cross; and hast moreover willed that this oblation of Him, most pleasing to Thee, should be daily renewed in Thy Church, that its benefits should be daily renewed to ourselves; grant us, we beseech Thee, to attend on, (and to receive) this wondrous and saving Mystery of Thy divine power, wisdom, and goodness, with such earnestness, reverence and devotion, that by the offering of this unbloody Sacrifice, we, and all Thy faithful people departed, for whom we offer, may partake most effectually of that Sacrifice of Blood; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ *Memorial of the Passion.*

Behold, O heavenly Father, making remembrance of the death of Thine Only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ, I offer Thee this Sacrifice, which He Himself once offered for my salvation, and that of the whole world. Behold I lay before the Altar of Thy Majesty that living Victim, which Thou in the abundance of Thy mercy didst send down to be offered on the Altar of the Cross. Remember, therefore, His most holy sweat, which was as it were drops of Blood falling down upon the ground.

Look upon that virgin flesh, cruelly scourged with rods, wounded and buffeted with blows, swollen with stripes, defiled with spittle, reddened with blood, pierced with thorns, fastened with

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nails, wounded with the lance.

Let that love, then, which drew Thy Son down, and overpowered Him, so that He weighed in the balance of the Cross the sins of the whole world, constrain Thee also, O Father, to be merciful to us miserable, and to all the souls of the faithful departed. Look, I beseech Thee, not upon our sins, but upon the face of Thy Christ. For we cast down our prayers before Thee, trusting not in our own righteousness, but in Thy manifold and great mercies. Amen.

¶ *A prayer, which St. Augustine said for his mother Monica; which can be said by any for their parents, or any soul that is dear to them, by changing the persons.*

O GOD of my heart, my praise and my life, laying aside for a while her good deeds, for which I give thanks to Thee with joy, do I now beseech Thee for the sins of my mother. Hearken unto me, I entreat Thee, by the Medicine of our wounds, Who hung upon the tree, and now sitting at Thy right hand, maketh intercession for us. I know that she dealt mercifully, and from her heart forgave her debtors their debts; and do Thou also forgive her debts, whatever she may have contracted in so many years, since the water of salvation. Forgive her, Lord, forgive, I beseech Thee; enter not into judgment with her, let Thy mercy be exalted above Thy justice, since Thy words are true, and Thou hast promised mercy unto the merciful. Accept, O Lord, the free-will offerings of my mouth; for she desired only to have her name commemorated at Thine Altar, which she had served without intermission of one day: whence she knew that holy Sacrifice to be dispensed, by which the handwriting that was against us, is blotted out; through which the enemy was triumphed over, who summing up our offences, and seeking what to lay to our charge, found nothing in Him, in Whom we conquer. Who shall restore to Him the innocent blood? Who repay Him the price wherewith He bought us, and so take us from Him? Unto the Sacrament of Which our ransom, Thy handmaid bound her soul by the bond of faith. Let none sever her from Thy protection, let neither the lion nor the dragon interpose himself by force or fraud.

Inspire, O Lord my God, inspire Thy servants, that they may remember at Thine Altar Thy servant N. and N.; may they remember with devout affection, my parents in this transitory light, my brethren under Thee our Father, in our Catholic Mo-

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ther, and my fellow citizens in that eternal Jerusalem, which Thy pilgrim people sigheth after from their exodus, even unto their return thither, that so my mother's last request of me, may through the prayers of many be more abundantly fulfilled to her. Amen.

¶ *A particular intercession.*

O HOLY Lord heavenly Father, I offer Thee this holy Sacrifice for the soul of Thy servant N. departed, that it may be to *him* a sweet refreshment, and an inestimable delight, so that all stain of past neglects being washed away, and the faults of *his* life being done away in the precious Blood of Jesus Christ, *he* may come to appear before Thee; and in the presence of Thy divinity do Thou vouchsafe that *his* soul may receive perfect consolation. I beseech Thee, O Lord Jesus, that Thy servant may from the Sacrament of the Altar now offered for *him* obtain healing, who freely and willingly received in life this sacred Communion. And inasmuch as *he* had a devout heart and good will towards all men, let therefore now the petitions that are poured forth on *his* behalf the more speedily help *him*. Set *him* free, O Lord, from all the hindrances of *his* past neglects, and in the multitude of Thy mercy meet *him* with the crown of life, and lead *him* with Thee into everlasting joys. Cleanse *his* soul, O Lord, in that blessed water which flowed from Thy wounded and loving Side, from all spot and stain of sin, and by Thy precious Blood surround and adorn *him* with all virtues, that what we desire for ourselves, do Thou of Thy mercy make perfect in *him*; purifying *his* soul from all sin, visiting *him* with Thy grace, adorning *him* with Thy merits, so that *he* may appear well-pleasing in Thy sight; and from out of Thy divine breast, in which are hid all the treasures of blessings, may *he* ever draw sweet refreshment; and being so mercifully revived, thus feed happily on Thee, and rest in Thee for ever. Amen.

¶ *The priest does not say Ps. Judica me at Requiem; he says the Antiphon and then goes on to the Confession.*

INTROIT. *Requiem dabo.*

I WILL give thee rest, for thou hast found grace in My sight, and I know thee by name: and I will make all My goodness pass before thee. *Ex.* xxxiii.

PSALM. In Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust; let me never be put to confusion: but rid me, and deliver me in Thy righteousness (lxxi. 1). Grant them, O Lord, everlasting rest: and let per-

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petual light shine upon them. I will give thee rest.

¶ *If the Commandments should be read, say an act of contrition.*

I know, O Lord, that nothing which is defiled can enter into the Kingdom of Heaven; neither dost Thou admit any one except he be reconciled unto Thee and to his neighbour. But alas! I am poor and in misery, and I am bound unto Thee by infinite debts, and have nothing wherewith to pay, or to make satisfaction. What shall I do? Behold, with Thee, O Lord, there is mercy, and plenteous is the redemption of Thy Son. He came to pay our debts, and to save sinners, of whom I am the chief. Enter not, I beseech Thee, into judgment with Thy servant, for in Thy sight shall no man living be justified, but look upon the face of Thy Christ.

I grieve from the bottom of my heart that I ever should have offended Thee, my God and my chief Good. And therefore I heartily forgive all the offences of my neighbour, lest perchance, I hope in vain for mercy from Thee, my Lord, whilst I, servant as I am, retain anger against my fellow-servant. Forgive me, then, according to the promise of Thy Son, "Forgive, and ye shall be forgiven," and especially at that last hour when I shall appear before Thee, my Judge! Woe unto me if Thou shalt then be extreme to mark what I have done amiss! O let the handwriting of ordinances which is against me, and all my sins be blotted out by the Blood of Jesus Christ, which was shed for me upon the Cross for the remission of sins! Amen.

COLLECTS.

¶ *For a man deceased.*

LORD, bow down Thine ear to our prayers, wherein we humbly supplicate Thy mercy: that Thou wouldest place the soul of Thy servant N., whom Thou hast commanded to pass out of this world, in the region of peace and light, and bid him be a partaker with Thy Saints. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *For a woman deceased.*

We beseech Thee, O Lord, according to Thy great goodness have mercy upon the soul of Thine handmaid N.: and, as she is now set free from contact with mortal flesh, restore her to the portion of everlasting salvation. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *For many persons deceased.*

O God, in Whose sight man's life is not guileless even if it be praiseworthy, that were Thy mercy taken away Thou shouldest judge it; search not out the sins of the

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souls which we commend unto Thee: but grant that they may find some pardon with Thee, for which we faithfully hope and pray. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, to the souls of Thy servants perpetual mercy: that it may be to their great and endless profit to have holpen and believed in Thee. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *A prayer for yourself.*

O Lord Jesus Christ, by the love with which Thou hast borne the burdens of all mankind, I beseech Thee, that Thou wouldest make me receive the burden of my sorrow with gratitude from the hand of Thy Providence, and from the will of Thy fatherly heart; and for the love of Thee, endure it, as long as it shall please Thee, with the fullest resignation of myself; so wilt Thou strengthen me by Thy grace, that I may never offend Thee in little things, nor depart in the least from Thy most holy will.

I would that I could alone endure the afflictions of all and each of those who have suffered for Thee, that so I might make some return, whatever it might be, to Thine infinite love. Come, I beseech Thee, O most bountiful Jesus, and so unite mine to Thy most holy will and pleasure, that I may be unable to wish anything save what Thou willest. Amen.

EPISTLE. *Rev.* xx. 12.

I SAW the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

GRADUAL. I will wait, O Lord, till my change come: Thou shalt call, and I will answer Thee; Thou wilt have a desire to the work of Thine hands. ℣. For now Thou numberest my steps: dost Thou not watch over my sin? *Job* xiv. 14.

TRACT. Enter not into judgment with Thy servant, O Lord, for in Thy sight shall no man living be justified. I stretch forth my hands unto Thee: my soul gaspeth unto Thee as a thirsty land. O let me hear Thy loving-kindness betimes in the morning, for in Thee

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is my trust. Let Thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness: quicken me, O Lord, for Thy Name's sake, and for Thy righteousness' sake. *Ps.* cxliii.

¶ *You can say for devotion's sake the Sequence*, Day of wrath: *See the Service at the end of the book.*

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 39.

JESUS said: This is the Father's will Which hath sent Me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on Him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day. The Jews then murmured at Him, because He said, I am the bread which came down from heaven; and they said: Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? how is it then that He saith, I came down from heaven? Jesus therefore answered, and said unto them: Murmur not among yourselves; no man can come to Me, except the Father Which hath sent Me draw him; and I will raise him up at the last day.

¶ *The Creed was not said according to ancient use; you may therefore kneel down, if it is said, and occupy yourself with prayer.*

OFFERTORY. He that heareth My Word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life. *St. John* v. 24.

¶ *You may say the prayers of oblation at page* 62; *it is generally better to use the words of the Liturgy, when offering for the departed, than any other; if you prefer it, continue thus:*

RECEIVE O Holy Trinity, and undivided Unity, this oblation, which I offer Thee by the hands of Thy priest, for myself a most miserable sinner, and for my own innumerable sins which in thought, word, and deed I have sinned against Thee; praying Thee, that Thou wouldst forgive the past, and preserve and guard me in the future.

Receive also, O Lord, this same oblation for all the living committed or commended to me; for the souls of my parents, friends, and enemies; for the souls of all that rest in Christ, especially the soul of N., that they may enjoy the fellowship of Thy Saints for ever.

O Eternal Father, and God of all goodness, I beseech Thee by Thy boundless love, that Thou wouldest receive the gifts, which Thy priest offers Thee in Thy sight to-day, and which I join with him, even although I am an unworthy sinner: nevertheless I offer, O God, to Thy supreme Majesty

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Thy beloved Son, Who suffered for me, His Blood being poured forth upon the altar of the Cross. Receive O Lord God, this spotless host, this sweet sacrifice, and behold this Thy family gathered together in Thy Name, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the Cross. Look, I beseech Thee, O most merciful God, even upon this my soul, look upon me, O my God, O my God look upon me, and turn not away Thy face from me, Thy child and Thy servant; for I will discover my cause to Thee, I will unfold my trouble, I will commit into Thy hands myself, my soul, my body, all my wants and necessities, my heaviness, and my sorrow. I offer Thee all my intention, the oblation of this great and prevailing Sacrifice for the soul (*or* souls) for whom I plead to day; I offer Thee my works, my prayers, my alms, for their salvation and happiness: of Thy divine mercy, love, and goodness, keep and protect *them*, grant *them* rest and peace, full pardon and remission, and in the end everlasting life. Amen.

SECRET COLLECTS.

¶ *For a man deceased.*

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the soul of Thy servant N. may profit by this oblation: which Thou hast given to be offered for the sins of the whole world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *For a woman deceased.*

Let the soul of Thine handmaid N., O Lord, be delivered from all sins by this Sacrifice, without which none can be set free from transgression: and grant that by this service of atonement she may obtain everlasting mercy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *For many deceased persons.*

We beseech Thee, O Lord, favourably to behold this oblation, which we offer unto Thee for the repose of the souls of Thy servants: and grant, that that which Thou hast vouchsafed shall be healing to the quick, may likewise become help and pardon to the dead. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Other prayers.*

I WORSHIP, praise, and bless Thee, O sweetest Lord Jesus Christ, and I give Thee thanks for all the love and faithfulness with which Thou didst overcome death, and rise from the dead, and glorify our flesh, by ascending in it to the right hand of the Father; beseeching Thee that Thou wouldest now vouchsafe to make the soul for which I pray, a partaker of Thy triumph and glory. Amen.

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I worship, praise and bless Thee, O sweetest Lord Jesus Christ, and I give Thee thanks for all the graces Thou hast ever bestowed upon Thy blessed Mother and on all Thine elect; in union with the gratitude and thanksgiving, with which all Thy Saints exult in the bliss, Thou hast obtained for them, through Thy holy Incarnation, Passion, and glorious Resurrection; beseeching Thee that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to accept in behalf of this soul, all the prayers and intercessions of this same glorious Virgin and all Thy Saints, for the remission of *his* sin, for whatever is lacking in *him* of *his* own fault and frailty, and for *his* everlasting peace and rest. Amen.

¶ *Proper Preface for the departed. Page* 71.

¶ *Prayers which may serve till the Consecration.*

O LORD Jesus Christ, in memory of Thy blessed Incarnation, Passion, and Death; in memory of all Thy wounds, and griefs, and sighs, and tears, and drops of blood and sweat; in remembrance of Thy boundless love, from which for my sake Thou wert born, didst suffer, wast crucified, and didst die, I offer to Thee now this victim of Thy most sacred Body and Blood: and in union with this oblation, and with that which Thou didst once for all make upon the altar of the Cross, I offer myself to Thy praise, glory, and good pleasure, humbly beseeching Thee by Thy bowels of mercy to receive all these things, and to offer them to Thy Father, in that virtue and merit that Thou didst give up Thy Spirit to Him, when dying upon the Cross; so that Thou mayest of Thy bounty grant grace to the living, rest to the departed, and to all of us mercy and everlasting life. Yet particularly do I implore Thee in behalf of the soul of N. Save *him*, and help *him*, I humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

I worship, praise, and bless Thee, O sweetest Lord Jesus Christ, and I give Thee thanks for that love wherewith Thou, the Creator of all things, didst vouchsafe for our redemption to be seized and bound, and taken away to judgment, to be buffeted and spit upon, to be scourged and crowned with thorns, to be condemned to bear Thine own Cross, to be stripped and nailed to the Cross, to die a most bitter death, and to be pierced through with the lance. And in union with that love I offer Thee these my unworthy prayers, beseeching Thee to blot out and efface utterly, through the merits of Thy most holy Passion and Death, whatsoever this soul, for which I pray, has ever done against Thy will, by evil thoughts, or

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words, or deeds; and that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to offer to God the Father all the sorrow and the anguish of Thy torn Body, and of Thy desolate Soul, all Thy merits, and all Thy works, for all that banishment Thy servant has incurred at the hands of Thy justice. Amen.

¶ *At the Consecration:*

HAIL, Salvation of the world, eternal Word of the Father, true Victim, living Flesh, very God, and very Man.

I worship Thee, Thou living Food of the Angels, and most excellent Bread from heaven; I worship Thee, O eternal Word of the Father, that was made Flesh for us; Thou true God, and true Man, consecrated on this Altar, and become present after a wholly wondrous and spiritual manner.

I worship Thee, and I praise Thee, Thou sure hope and certain salvation of sinners; Thou most worthy remedy of weak and sorrowful souls, Thou exceeding treasure of those in want; therefore do all Thy creatures, in heaven, in earth, and under the earth, give Thee praise and thanksgiving, because coming down from heaven with such mighty love to us, Thou didst offer Thine innocent and priceless Body upon the Cross for us, and didst with such goodwill, affection, and goodness leave us in this Sacrament the living and undying monument of Thy departure, as a pledge of Thine exceeding and excelling love towards us.

Thou, therefore, O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us, and grant us, and all Thy faithful departed, Thy peace; refresh us ever with this spiritual Food, that neither in life nor in death, we may ever be separated from Thy boundless loving-kindness. Who livest and reignest, God, world without end. Amen.

O Salutaris Hostia.

O saving Victim, slain to bless, Who op'st the heavenly gate to all: the attacks of many a foe oppress, give strength in strife, and help in fall.

To God, the Three in One, ascend all thanks and praise for evermore; He grant the life that shall not end, upon the heavenly country's shore. Amen.

¶ *Another mode of worship.*

HAIL, merciful Saviour, prostrate in lowliest humility, I worship, praise, and bless Thee.

O Jesus, have mercy on the soul of N.

O good Jesus, spare *him.*

O most compassionate Jesus, be merciful to me a sinner, and to all the souls of the faithful departed.

Hail, most precious Blood of my Lord, prostrate before

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Thee in lowliest devotion, I worship, praise, and bless Thee.

O Sacred Blood, save *him.*

O roseate Blood, cleanse *him.*

O most precious Blood, cry for me and for all unto God the Father, that He may have mercy upon us.

IN the midst of life we are in death; of Whom may we seek for succour, but of Thee, O Lord, Who for our sins art justly displeased? Yet, O Lord God most holy, O Lord most mighty, O holy and most merciful Saviour, deliver us not into the bitter pains of eternal death. Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not Thy merciful ears to our prayer; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and merciful Saviour, Thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from Thee.

We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious Blood; and make them to be numbered with Thy Saints, in glory everlasting. Grant them, Lord, everlasting rest, and let perpetual light shine upon them, with Thy Saints for ever, for Thou art merciful.

¶ *Prayers from the Consecration to the Communion.*

LOOK down now, O Lord holy Father, from Thy sanctuary, from the highest heaven Thy dwelling place, and behold this ever sacred Victim, which Thy High Priest, Thy holy Child our Lord Jesus Christ offers Thee for the sins of His brethren, and be Thou favourable to the multitude of our iniquities. Behold the voice of the Blood of Jesus our Saviour cries to Thee from the Cross. Look down, O Lord, upon the face of Thy Christ, Who became obedient for us even unto death; let not His stripes be ever away from Thine eyes, that Thou mayest call to remembrance what great satisfaction Thou hast received from Him for our sins. Let every tongue, O Father, give Thee thanks and praise for Thine overflowing goodness, Who didst not spare the only Son of Thine heart, but didst deliver Him up to death for us all, that we might ever have Him in heaven before Thee, as our faithful Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

O Father of mercies, lo here is that living Victim, which here and everywhere the whole Church offers Thee: this same then do I offer, together with all the virtues and merits of Thine Only-begotten Son, in virtue of that love and power, with which He offered Himself for us upon the Cross, for the atonement of our sins, the supply of my faults and negligences; and in thanks-

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giving and the confession of all Thy blessings; and also in memory of His suffering and love for me, and for all Thy faithful, living and departed.

Most merciful Father, receive Thy beloved Son Jesus raised up upon the Cross, hanging there lifeless, and for His sake pardon us, all the sins we have committed against Thee. Hear us of Thy clemency, in these our heartfelt petitions, which we specially offer in behalf of the faithful dead, and do with us all according to the greatness and multitude of Thy mercies. Amen.

O ALMIGHTY and merciful Father, by the innocency of life of the same Thy Son, and His most bitter death, receive this offering for my salvation, and the salvation of all, the quick and the dead. Hearken unto me, and mercifully regard me, and make me pure and clean from all stain of sin. Wash me in the boundless sea of the Blood of Thine Only-begotten, and therein adorned and beautified with all kind of virtues, make me acceptable to Thee according to Thy good-pleasure. Let me perceive; let my mind, O most loving Jesu, perceive the sweetness of Thy most blessed presence, and let all with me too, those that are in heaven, and that are in earth, and under the earth, perceive that the ineffable virtue of this Sacrament fills them with joy, and makes them glad, and lets fall upon them all its redeeming and sanctifying dew; let some part of that refreshing stream flowing upon those that are above and in heaven, add to their joy, and bestow upon them an increase of merit and glory; let some other part, flowing upon the holy and faithful departed souls, grant them refreshment, peace and remission; and let some other part, flowing upon the earth, bring the sweetness of grace to the righteous, the bitterness of a true repentance to sinners, and comfort to the sorrowful and afflicted. Hear me, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Saviour, and have mercy upon me. Amen.

WE pray Thee, also, O Lord, holy Father, for the souls of the faithful departed, especially ——, that they may have eternal salvation, joy and refreshment. May this great Sacrament of Thy love, O Lord God, be to them to-day a great and abundant Feast of Thee the living and true Bread, Who camest down from heaven, and givest life to the world; even of Thy holy and blessed Flesh, the Lamb without spot, Who takest away the sins of the world, even of that Flesh, which was taken of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and conceived by the Holy Ghost; may they drink of that fountain of Thy love and

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mercy, which, by the soldier's lance, flowed from the most sacred side of our crucified Lord, that thereby they may be enlarged and satisfied, refreshed and comforted; and rejoice in Thy praise and glory. Amen.

HAVE mercy upon me also, O Lord, Thine unworthy servant, according to the multitude of Thy mercies; and having granted unto me, in this world, pardon of my wickednesses, suffer me not to be punished with the ungodly in the world to come.

But grant unto me some little portion with Thy Saints in heaven, who, being fitly framed together into Thy members, and being made one body in Thee, in grateful return for Thy precious Blood, which was shed for them, shrank not from shedding their own glorious blood for Thee and for their brethren; who loved Thee in their life, and in death followed Thee, and therefore have they obtained triumphal crowns; with whom, though falling short of their works and merits, yet by Thy mercy alone, do Thou make me a partaker, and hear their prayers and intercessions for me. Amen.

¶ *Say the Lord's prayer with all earnestness.*

HEAR, O Father, the prayer of Thy well-beloved Son, which He taught us to use in all our necessities; and mercifully grant by the same Thy Son, whatsoever we ask of Thee through Him, when we say, Our Father, &c.

O Lamb of God, That takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest.

O Lamb of God, That takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest.

O Lamb of God, That takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest everlasting.

¶ *If you communicate, you may pray thus:*

BEHOLD, I worship Thee, and I come to Thee, O Bread of Angels, that Thou mayest draw me to Thee, and bring me whither I drew my image and my first being. I come to Thee, O Christ Jesus, that I may hunger and thirst, since Thou art the fountain of life. I come to Thee that I may be enlightened, that I may be transformed, because Thou art the light and a consuming fire. I come to Thee, that I may be absolved, because Thou art the remission of all sins. I draw near to Thee, that I may die to myself, because Thou didst die for love of me. I draw nigh to Thee, in order that I may live, because Thou art the quickening life, and the resurrection of the dead, and therefore I pray Thee for the soul of N., who is so dear to me; and for whose sake, and in order

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to obtain my petition, I offer and make my Communion today. I approach Thee, that I may be incorporated into Thee, for Thou art my head, I am a member of Thee; Thou art the vine, I am a branch; Thou art my God, I am Thy creature. And now in thirsting desire I come to Thee; receive me, O God, and do with me according to Thy mercy. Amen.

¶ *Or make this spiritual Communion.*

O LORD, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest enter under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed. Look upon me standing afar off with the publican, smiting my breast, and saying unto Thee: God be merciful to me a sinner. Grant me, as I both fear and worship these awful Mysteries, at least spiritually to eat Thy Flesh, and drink Thy Blood. Grant that by a living faith in Thee I may be nourished on Thee, by sweetly calling to mind Thy blessed Flesh slain for me upon the Cross, and the Blood from Thy Side which was poured out for the remission of my sins. Grant to me to partake spiritually, so that Thou abiding in me, and I in Thee, I may be quickened by Thy Spirit, and so kindled to run the way of Thy commandments. Fill me with the spirit of unity and love, and stablish me in the fellowship of all Thy Saints, such as is even signified in this most divine Sacrament, for indeed it is made out of things, which are brought again into one. Grant me likewise both hunger and thirst, and with all my heart may I desire frequently to receive with a pure and free spirit and chaste body this Bread of life, Which came down from heaven, not only spiritually by faith, but also Sacramentally from Thy Table, so that not only my soul but also my flesh may be supported and kept unto everlasting life. Amen.

O Lord, I confess that after my own merits I am not worthy to receive the very least portion of any of Thy gifts; but yet for the sake of the merits and good desires and piety of all Thy faithful and devout servants, here present, as well as those who are communicating, I supplicate and plead Thy loving-kindness, that Thou wouldest pierce my very heart with the wound of Thy love, that Thou wouldest Thyself enter into my heart, that I may spiritually receive Thee, and be fed by Thee. I believe in Thee, O supreme Truth! I hope in Thee, O everlasting Happiness! I love Thee, O unending Goodness! I reverence Thee, O mighty Power! I worship Thee, O Majesty tremendous! I give thanks to Thee,

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O bounteous generosity! A thousand times I yearn for Thee, Jesu! When wilt Thou come? When will Thy fulness gladden me, and make my heart Thy home?

¶ *After Sacramental Communion pray:*

I GIVE thanks to Thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, that Thou hast vouchsafed to admit me to the receiving of this so great Sacrament, so many times hitherto, and even now again to-day, solely of Thy grace and mercy; and I beg of Thee by that love, with which Thou hast vouchsafed to leave Thyself to us in this Sacrament truly and substantially, that Thou wouldest of Thy clemency pardon, supply, and cover all my defect of preparation, purity of intention, reverence and devotion, fervour and love, and all my negligencies and faults which I have committed in receiving this most worthy Sacrament; so that its fruit may in no way be hindered by my neglect and unfitness, neither may it happen to me, that after I have tasted the sweetness of Thy Table, I should again drive Thee from me, as hitherto, alas, I have often done; but all my past sins being washed away by the virtue of Thy Passion, I may be made more careful and fearful for the future, and become more fervent and earnest in Thy love and service.

I beseech Thee further, O Lord Jesus, that it may please Thee to apply to me, and to all for whom I pray, all and each of the fruits of this great Sacrament, and to work effectually in me; so that I may dwell in Thee, and Thou in me, and being cleansed from all defilement of flesh and sin, I may be made powerful to resist all the enemies of my salvation; and would that I desired in my heart to suffer death, rather than offend Thee again. Give back to me, O bountiful Jesus, whatever I have lost and destroyed by my sins, increase Thy grace within me; kindle me with Thy love, and with zeal for Thine honour and righteousness' sake; unite me to Thee by the inseparable bond of Thy love; abundantly work in me all those other and infinite fruits of the Sacrament, mercifully hear all my prayers, to the glory of Thy Name, for the sake of the souls for whom I intercede, and my own and their eternal salvation. Amen.

COMMUNION. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: for, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours, and their works do follow them. *Rev.* xiv. 13.

POSTCOMMUNIONS.

¶ *For a man deceased.*

LET the pitifulness of Thy great goodness, O Lord,

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which we have entreated in behalf of Thy servant N., be profitable unto him: that he may by Thy mercy obtain the everlasting fellowship of Him in Whom he ever trusted and believed. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *For a woman deceased.*

We beseech Thee, O Lord, that the soul of Thine handmaid N. may enter into the fellowship of eternal light, for while she abode in the light of this life, she received the Sacrament of Thy mercy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *For many deceased persons.*

Mercifully assist, O Lord, the souls of Thy servants, for whom we offer this Sacrifice to Thee: that if any spots or earthly stains still cleave unto them, they may be wholly blotted out by Thy gracious pardon. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Offer again this Sacrifice.*

I OFFER Thee again, O Lord, this holy Sacrifice, of the Body and Blood of Thine only Son in behalf of the faithful departed, and in particular for the souls of *(here name those whom you purpose to pray for)* my parents, (*if dead*) relations, benefactors, neighbours, &c.; likewise of such as I have anyways injured, or been the occasion of their sins; of such as have injured me, and been my enemies; of such as die in war, or have none to pray for them, &c. To these, O Lord, and to all that rest in Christ, grant, we beseech Thee, a place of refreshment, light, and peace; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Another prayer after Communion.*

O LORD Jesus Christ, shew now Thy power and virtue within me, a most miserable sinner. Shew that Thy goodness is greater than my wickedness: cause that I, who have hitherto been wholly turned away from Thee, and have been cold-hearted, am now, set on fire by the flames of Thy love, wholly turned and transformed into Thee. O my God, my Creator, continually up to this time have I not known Thee? How long dost Thou hide Thyself, and I do not search for Thee? verily Thou art close at hand, and I find Thee not. Thou art my only salvation, and I do not seek for Thee. O most faithful lover, Who, when I was not, didst love me, and that I might be, Thou didst make me; grant me that I may desire Thee, thirst for Thee, seek Thee, run after Thee, rest not till I find Thee, and from love of Thee dislike everything else outside Thee. O Jesu, so greatly to be desired, give me a desire for Thee, so that

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I cannot live without Thee, and that I may ever long after Thy love. Let my soul hunger and thirst for Thee: my heart live and exist in Thee only; my mind rest in Thee alone. O loving Jesus, fill me with Thy love, and the most perfect humility. I am a most vile sinner, and Thy poor creature, Thou art my God, my Creator, and my Redeemer, Thou art all and everything to me. Into Thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit, and my whole self. Receive me, O God, and have mercy on me. Amen.

¶ *Petition.*

Be mindful, O Lord, of those who sleep in the hope of the resurrection unto eternal life, specially the soul of N., and the souls of my parents, relations, friends, benefactors, and acquaintance; besides all, whosoever have died in faith and piety, pardon them every fault, whether voluntary or not voluntary, that they have committed either in thought, word, or deed. Vouchsafe to them a tabernacle of rest and consolation in the realm of light, where all sorrow and sighing and tears flee away; where the vision of Thy countenance maketh all Thy Saints glad for ever. Grant them, O Lord, Thy kingdom, a share in Thine everlasting goods, and the fruition of an endlessly blessed life, for Thou art the life, the resurrection, and the refreshment of Thy servants that sleep, O Christ our God, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

¶ *The Gloria in excelsis is not said, and the Blessing is not given. You can pray thus:*

℣. May they rest in peace. ℟. Amen. Out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. O let Thine ears consider well: the voice of my complaint. If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss: O Lord, who may abide it? For there is mercy with Thee: therefore shalt Thou be feared. I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for Him: in His word is my trust. My soul fleeth unto the Lord: before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch. O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy: and with Him is plenteous redemption. And He shall redeem Israel: from all his sins.

℣. Everlasting rest grant them, O Lord. ℟. And let perpetual light shine upon them. ℣. From the gate of hell. ℟. Deliver their souls, O Lord. ℣. May they rest in peace. ℟. Amen. ℣. Lord, hear my prayer. ℟. And let my cry come unto Thee. ℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

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O God the Creator, and Redeemer of all them that believe, grant unto the souls of Thy servants and handmaids the remission of all their sins: that through devout supplications they may obtain the pardon they have alway desired. Who livest and reignest with God the Father, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

℣. May they rest in peace.
℟. Amen.

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THE PROPER OF THE SEASON.

First Sunday in Advent.

INTROIT. *Ad Te levavi.*

UNTO Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in Thee: O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me; for all they that hope in Thee shall not be ashamed. *Ps.* XXV. 1, 2.

PSALM. Shew me Thy ways, O Lord: and teach me Thy paths (*v.* 3).

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Unto Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in Thee: O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me; for all they that hope in Thee shall not be ashamed.

¶ *This manner of repeating the Introit is observed throughout the year.*

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which Thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility: that in the last day, when He shall come again in His glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and dead; we may rise to the life immortal. Through Him Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. ℟. Amen.

Or this:

RAISE up, we pray Thee, O Lord, Thy power, and come: that by Thy protection we may be rescued from the perils of our lives which do threaten us, and by Thy deliverance we may be saved. Who livest and reignest with God the Father, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

¶ *If three Collects be said, the Collect for the Annunciation, and the Second Collect for Good Friday, may serve; or one of the following.*

¶ *From Advent Sunday until Christmas Eve the following Commemorations are made after the Collect for the day.*

¶ *But if a Simple Feast is to be commemorated, the Collect for it follows the*

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Collect for the day, then the commemoration of B. V. Mary.

¶ *When a Semi-double Feast is kept on a week day, in Advent, the second Collect is of the season, the third of B. V. Mary.*

¶ *When a Double Feast is kept, after the Collect for the day only the Advent Collect is said.*

COLLECTS.

Of the B. V. Mary.

O GOD, Who didst will that Thy Word should take Flesh, in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at the message of an Angel: grant unto Thy humble servants; that we, who verily believe her to be the Mother of God, may be holpen by her intercessions with Thee.

Against the adversaries of the Church.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, favourably to receive the prayers of Thy Church: that all adversities and errors being driven away, it may safely serve Thee in all freedom. Through.

For the Bishop.

O GOD, the shepherd and governour of all the faithful, look favourably upon Thy servant N., whom Thou hast appointed a pastor over Thy Church: grant him, we beseech Thee, both by word and example, so to help those whom he is set over; that with the flock committed to his charge, he may come to everlasting happiness. Through.

EPISTLE. *Romans* xiii. 8.

OWE no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand; let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

GRADUAL. All they that hope in Thee, O Lord, shall not be ashamed. ℣. Shew me Thy ways, O Lord: and teach me Thy paths. *Ps.* xxv. 2, 3.

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Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Shew us Thy mercy, O Lord: and grant us Thy salvation. Alleluia. *Ps.* lxxxv. 7.

¶ *On ferias in Advent when the Sunday Mass is said, the* Alleluias *and the* verse *following are left out.*

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxi. 1.

WHEN they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the Mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples, saying unto them: Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto Me. And if any man say ought unto you, ye shall say: The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them. All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Prophet, saying: Tell ye the daughter of Sion: Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the fole of an ass. And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them; and brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set Him thereon. And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed them in the way. And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying: Hosanna to the Son of David; Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest. And when He was come into Jerusalem all the city was moved, saying: Who is this? And the multitude said: This is Jesus the Prophet of Nazareth of Galilee. And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple; and overthrew the tables of the money-changers, and the seats of them that sold doves; and said unto them: It is written: My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in Thee: O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me; for all they that hope in Thee shall not be ashamed. *Ps.* xxv. 1.

SECRET COLLECTS.

O LORD, we pray Thee, let these Holy Things make us who are cleansed by their mighty power, to come more purely unto Him, from Whom they took their first beginning, Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord. Who liveth.

Of the B. V. Mary.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to strengthen in our hearts the mysteries of the true faith: that as we un-

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feignedly acknowledge Him Who was conceived by the Virgin, to be very God and Man; so by the power of His healthful resurrection we may at length attain to everlasting joy.

Against the adversaries of the Church.

PROTECT us, O Lord, while we serve before Thee in these holy Mysteries: and grant that we being ever occupied with holy things, may offer Thee a worthy service both in body and mind. Through.

For the Bishop.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, favourably to receive the offerings we have made unto Thee: and ever keep in Thy protection Thy servant N., whom Thou hast willed to set over as a pastor of Thy Church. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *see p.* 68.

COMMUNION. The Lord shall shew loving-kindness: and our land shall give her increase. *Ps.* lxxxv. 12.

POSTCOMMUNIONS.

LET us receive, O Lord, Thy loving-kindness in the midst of Thy temple: and so with fitting honour may we hasten forward to the solemn feast of our redemption, which is now nigh at hand. Through.

Of the B. V. Mary.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, pour Thy grace into our hearts: that, as we have known the Incarnation of Thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel, so by His Cross and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of His Resurrection.

Against the adversaries of the Church.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God: that Thou wilt never suffer those whom Thou dost make glad by the receiving of things divine, to be cast down by the dangers and perils of this mortal life. Through.

For the Bishop.

LET the participation of this divine Sacrament protect us, we beseech Thee, O Lord: and ever bring safety and defence to Thy servant N., whom Thou hast willed to set over as a pastor of Thy Church, together with the flock committed to his charge. Through.

¶ *According to the first English Prayer-Book, the Creed is not said on weekdays, unless a Festival occurs.*

¶ *The Secret and Postcommunion Collects are of the same number as, and vary according to, the Collects which have been said for the day.*

¶ *According to the old Use, the Gloria in Excelsis is not said during Advent, and after the rule of the English Prayer-Book only on Sundays.*

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¶ *When a Double or a Semi-double Feast occurs on a week-day in Advent, Lent, Ember-tide, on Vigils, and the Rogation days, a Commemoration is made of the day. For a Commemoration of a week-day in Advent, the Collect of the preceding Sunday is said, except on the Ember days when a proper Collect is provided.*

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. *St. James* v. 7.

BE patient, therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the Judge standeth before the door. Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the Name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* i. 1.

THE beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God; as it is written in the prophets: Behold, I send My messenger before Thy face, which shall prepare Thy way before Thee. The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make His paths straight. John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. And there went out unto him all the land of Judæa, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins. And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locusts and wild honey; and preached, saying: There cometh One mightier than I after me, the latchet of Whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose. I indeed have baptized you with water: but He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost.

Friday.

LESSON. *Isaiah* li. 1.

THUS saith the Lord: Hearken to Me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the Lord: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged. Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him. For the Lord shall comfort Sion: He will comfort all her waste places; and He will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the

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Lord; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody. Hearken unto Me, My people; and give ear unto Me, O My nation: for a law shall proceed from Me, and I will make My judgment to rest for a light of the people. My righteousness is near; My salvation is gone forth, and Mine arms shall judge the people; the isles shall wait upon Me, and on Mine arm shall they trust. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but My salvation shall be for ever, and My righteousness shall not be abolished. Hearken unto Me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart is My law; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings. For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool: but My righteousness shall be for ever, and My salvation from generation to generation.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* iii. 1.

IN those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judæa, and saying: Repent ye; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying: The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make His paths straight. And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins: and his meat was locusts and wild honey. Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judæa, and all the region round about Jordan, and were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins.

Second Sunday in Advent

INTROIT. *Populus Sion.*

O PEOPLE of Sion, behold the Lord will come to save the nations: and in the gladness of your heart the Lord shall cause His glorious voice to be heard. *Is.* xxx. 30.

PSALM. Hear, O Thou Shepherd of Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep (lxxx. 1). Glory. O People.

COLLECT.

BLESSED Lord, Who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of Thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which Thou hast given us in our

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Saviour Jesus Christ. Who liveth.

Or this:

Stir up, we beseech Thee, O Lord, our hearts to make ready a way for Thine Only-begotten Son: that by His coming we may be made worthy to serve Thee with pure and clean hearts. Through the same.

¶ *The second Collect may be the Collect of the Annunciation, the third, of the First Sunday in Advent; or choose from the Collects of the preceding Sunday.*

EPISTLE. *Romans* xv. 4.

WHATSOEVER things were written aforetime, were written for our learning; that we through patience, and comfort of the Scriptures, might have hope. Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be like minded one towards another, according to Christ Jesus: that ye may with one mind, and one mouth, glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us, to the glory of God. Now I say, that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers: And that the Gentiles might glorify God for His mercy; as it is written, For this cause I will confess to Thee among the Gentiles, and sing unto Thy Name. And again he saith: Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with His people. And again: Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles, and laud Him, all ye people. And again: Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and He that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles, in Him shall the Gentiles trust. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

GRADUAL. Out of Sion hath God appeared in perfect beauty: our God shall come manifestly. ℣. Gather My Saints together unto Me, those that have made a covenant with Me with sacrifice. *Ps.* l. 2, 5.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The powers of heaven shall be shaken: and then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Alleluia. *St. Luke* xxi. 26, 27.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xxi. 25.

AND there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of Man coming

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in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. And He spake to them a parable, Behold the fig-tree, and all the trees; when they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled: heaven and earth shall pass away; but My words shall not pass away. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Wilt Thou not turn again, O God, and quicken us: that Thy people may rejoice in Thee: shew us Thy mercy, O Lord; and grant us Thy salvation. *Ps.* lxxxv. 6, 7.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably accept the prayers and oblations of Thy humble servants: and because our own merits suffice not for our help, grant that we may be succoured by Thy protection. Through.

COMMUNION. O Jerusalem, look about thee towards the east: and behold the joy that cometh unto thee from God. *Bar.* iv. 36.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE Thy humble servants, O Lord, who have now been refreshed with the Meat and Drink of spiritual nourishment: beseech Thee to teach us by partaking of this holy Mystery, to despise earthly things, and to love such things as are heavenly. Through.

Wednesday.

LESSON. *Zechariah* viii. 3.

THUS saith the Lord: I am returned unto Sion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called a city of truth; and the mountain of the Lord of hosts the holy mountain. Thus saith the Lord of hosts: There shall yet old men and old women dwell in the streets of Jerusalem, and every man with his staff in his hand for very age. And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof. Thus saith the Lord of hosts: If it be marvellous in the eyes of the remnant of this people in these days, should it also be marvellous in Mine eyes? saith the Lord of hosts. Thus saith the Lord of hosts: Behold, I will save My people from the east country, and from the west country; and I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and they shall be My people, and I will be

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their God, in truth and in righteousness.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xi. 11.

JESUS said: Verily I say unto you: Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. And if ye will receive it, this is Elias, which was for to come. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Friday.

LESSON. *Isaiah* lxii. 6.

THUS saith the Lord: I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day nor night: ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence. And give Him no rest, till He establish, and till He make Jerusalem a praise in the earth. The Lord hath sworn by His right hand, and by the arm of His strength: Surely I will no more give thy corn to be meat for thine enemies; and the sons of the stranger shall not drink thy wine, for the which thou hast laboured: But they that have gathered it shall eat it, and praise the Lord; and they that have brought it together shall drink it in the courts of My holiness. Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the high way; gather out the stones, lift up a standard for the people. Behold, the Lord hath proclaimed unto the end of the world: Say ye to the daughter of Sion: Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him. And they shall call them, The holy people, The redeemed of the Lord: and thou shalt be called, Sought out, A city not forsaken.

GOSPEL. *St. John*, i. 15.

JOHN bare witness of the Lord, and cried, saying: This was He of Whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for He was before me. And of His fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. No man hath seen God at any time; the Only-begotten Son, Which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared Him.

Third Sunday in Advent.

INTROIT. *Gaudete.*

REJOICE in the Lord alway; and again I say, rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men:

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the Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer let your requests be made known unto God. *Phil.* iv. 4—6.

PSALM. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding: shall keep your hearts and minds (*v.* 7). Glory. Rejoice.

COLLECT.

O LORD Jesu Christ, Who at Thy first coming didst send Thy messenger to prepare Thy way before Thee: grant that the ministers and stewards of Thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready Thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; that at Thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in Thy sight. Who livest.

¶ *The Collects as above, page* 128.

EPISTLE. 1 *Corinthians* iv. 1.

LET a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self. For I know nothing by myself, yet am I not hereby justified; but He That judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, Who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts; and then shall every man have praise of God.

GRADUAL. Shew Thyself, O Lord, Thou that sittest upon the Cherubim: stir up Thy strength, and come. ℣. Hear, O Thou Shepherd of Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Stir up Thy strength, O Lord, and come and save us. Alleluia. *Ps.* lxxx. 1, 2.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xi. 2.

NOW when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto Him: Art Thou he that should come, or do we look for another? Jesus answered and said unto them: Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the Gospel preached to them: And blessed is he whosoever shall not be offended in Me. And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John: What went ye out into the wilderness to see? a reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? a man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they

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that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. But what went ye out for to see? a prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he of whom it is written, Behold, I send My messenger before Thy face, which shall prepare Thy way before Thee. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Lord, Thou art become gracious unto Thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob: Thou hast forgiven the offence of Thy people. *Ps.* lxxxv. 1.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the oblation of our devotion be continually offered unto Thee: so that the holy Mysteries which Thou hast ordained shall ever be performed, and Thy saving health shall marvellously work within us. Through.

¶ *The Secrets as above, according to the Collects, page* 124.

COMMUNION. Say to them that are of a fearful heart: Be strong, fear not: behold, our God will come, and save us. *Isa.* xxxv. 4.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE humbly entreat Thy mercy, O Lord: that this divine assistance which Thou dost bestow upon us, may make us ready, who have been purged from our offences, to keep the coming feast-day. Through.

¶ *The Postcommunions as above, page* 125.

Wednesday in Ember Week.

INTROIT. *Rorate cœli.*

DROP down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation. *Is.* xlv. 8.

PSALM. And let righteousness spring up together: I the Lord have created it (*v.* 8). Glory. Drop down.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that the solemn feast of our redemption, which is now so near at hand, may be to us a help in this life present, and also bring us to the rewards of everlasting blessedness. Through the same.

Or this:

MAKE haste, we beseech Thee, O Lord, and tarry not: and send to us the help of Thy heavenly grace: that those who trust in Thy loving-kindness, may mercifully be relieved by the comfort of Thine Advent. Who livest.

LESSON. *Isaiah* vii. 10.

See the Feast of the Annunciation, March 25.

GRADUAL. The Lord is nigh unto all them that call

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upon Him: yea, all such as call upon Him faithfully. ℣. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh give thanks unto His holy Name. *Ps.* cxlv. 18.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* i. 26.

See the Feast of the Annunciation, March 25.

OFFERTORY. Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of Thy womb. *St. Luke* i. 28.

SECRET.

WE offer unto Thee, O Lord, our oblations while we fulfil our healthful fast: grant, we beseech Thee, that by these holy services we may be made ready to celebrate the Birth of the everlasting Bread. Through the same.

COMMUNION. Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son: and shall call His Name Emmanuel. *Isa.* vii. 14.

POSTCOMMUNION.

BEING filled, O Lord, with the gift of Thy salvation, we humbly beseech Thee: that, as we rejoice in the taste thereof, so we may ever be renewed by its effect. Through.

Friday in Ember Week.

INTROIT. *Prope esto.*

BE Thou nigh at hand, O Lord, for all Thy commandments are true: as concerning Thy testimonies, I have known long since, that Thou hast grounded them for ever. *Ps.* cxix. 151, 152.

PSALM. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. Be Thou.

COLLECT.

O LORD, raise up, we pray Thee, Thy power and come among us: that we, who put our trust in Thy loving-kindness, may speedily be delivered from all adversities. Who livest.

LESSON. *Isaiah* xi. 1.

AND there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots: and the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord; and shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord; and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears; but with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked. And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

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GRADUAL. Shew us Thy mercy, O Lord : and grant us Thy salvation. ℣. Lord, Thou art become gracious unto Thy land : Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. *Ps.* lxxxv. 7, 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* i. 39.

AND Mary arose in those days, and went into the hill country with haste, into a city of Juda: and entered into the house of Zacharias, and saluted Elisabeth. And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb ; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost: and she spake out with a loud voice, and said: Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. And whence is this to me, that the Mother of my Lord should come to me ? For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. And blessed is she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord. And Mary said: My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

OFFERTORY. Wilt Thou not turn again, O God, and quicken us, that Thy people may rejoice in Thee: shew us Thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us Thy salvation. *Ps.* lxxxv. 6.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that by this healthful Sacrifice, we may more readily be fitted to keep those holy days, whereon this Mystery must be celebrated, and so observe all the keeping of Thy commandments. Through.

COMMUNION. Behold the Lord my God shall come, and all His Saints with Him: and in that day there shall be a great light. *Zech.* xiv. 5.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, fulfil Thy mercy to Thy people who call upon Thee : and grant ; that those whom Thou hast refreshed with the bounty of Thy gifts, may both more instantly ask for greater grace, and more faithfully trust in Thee. Through.

Saturday in Ember Week.

INTROIT. *Veni et ostende.*

COME and shew us the light of Thy countenance, O Lord : Thou that sittest upon the Cherubim, and we shall be whole. *Ps.* lxxx. 3, 1.

PSALM. Hear, O Thou Shepherd of Israel : Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep (*v.* 1). Glory. Come.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who seest that we are afflicted by our own wickedness : mercifully

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grant; that we may be comforted by the loving-kindness of Thy visitation. Who livest.

EPISTLE. 2 *Thes.* ii. 1.

NOW we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him, that ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? and now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming.

TRACT. Hear, O Thou Shepherd of Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep. ℣. Shew Thyself also, Thou that sittest upon the Cherubim: before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasses. ℣. Stir up Thy strength, O Lord, and come: and save us. *Ps.* lxxx. 1, 2.

GOSPEL. *St Luke* iii. 1.

NOW in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Cæsar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judæa, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of Ituræa and of the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias the tetrarch of Abilene, Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests, the word of God came unto John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness. And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins; as it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying: The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make His paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

OFFERTORY. Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Sion, shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King, cometh unto thee, He is holy,

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and having salvation. *Zech.* ix. 9, 10.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, with favourable countenance, look upon these oblations of Thy faithful people: and because our own deeds are worth nought before Thee: grant that at Thy coming unto us, we may rather, by these Thy gifts, be commended in Thy sight. Who livest.

COMMUNION. He rejoiceth as a giant to run his course: he goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the end of it again. *Ps.* xix. 5, 6.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God: that Thou wouldest make these most holy Mysteries, which Thou hast ordained to be a strength and defence in our reparation; to be unto us for healing both in this time present, and also in that which is to come. Through.

Fourth Sunday in Advent.

INTROIT. *Memento.*

REMEMBER us, O Lord, according to the favour that Thou bearest unto Thy people: O visit us with Thy salvation; that we may see the felicity of Thy chosen: and rejoice in the gladness of Thy people, and give thanks with Thine inheritance. *Ps.* cvi. 4, 5.

PSALM. We have sinned with our fathers: we have done amiss, and dealt wickedly (*v.* 6). Glory. Remember.

COLLECT.

O LORD, raise up, we pray Thee, Thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us: that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, Thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us. Through the satisfaction of Thy Son our Lord, to Whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end. ℟. Amen.

EPISTLE. *Philippians* iv. 4.

REJOICE in the Lord alway, and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in every thing, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

GRADUAL. The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon Him: yea, all such as call upon Him faithfully. ℣. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh give thanks unto His holy Name. *Ps.* cxlv. 18, 21.

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Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Come, O Lord, and tarry not: release Thy people Israel from their sins. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. John* i. 19.

THIS is the record of John, when the Jews sent Priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him: Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed: I am not the Christ. And they asked him: What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith: I am not. Art thou that Prophet? And he answered: No. Then said they unto him: Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? He said: I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias. And they which were sent were of the Pharisees. And they asked him, and said unto him: Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that Christ, nor Elias, neither that Prophet? John answered them, saying: I baptize with water: but there standeth One among you, Whom ye know not: He it is Who coming after me is preferred before me, Whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose. These things were done in Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Be strong, fear not: behold, our God will come with a recompense: He will come and save us. *Isa.* xxxv. 4, 5.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably to behold these oblations now present before Thee: that by them we may be purified worthily to keep the Nativity of Thy Son. Through the same.

COMMUNION. Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a Son: and shall call His Name Emmanuel. *Isa.* vii. 14.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, grant unto Thy people the abundance of Thy gifts: that, being defended from all evil by the power of Thy Sacraments; they may be made ready, both in body and soul, to celebrate Thine unspeakable Mystery. Through.

Wednesday.

LESSON. *Joel* ii. 23.

THUS saith the Lord: Be glad then, ye children of Sion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: for He hath given you the former rain moderately, and He will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month. And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil. So shall ye know that I am the Lord your God dwelling in Sion, My holy mountain:

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then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more. And it shall come to pass in that day, that the mountains shall drop down new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the rivers of Judah shall flow with waters, and a fountain shall come forth of the house of the Lord, and shall water the valley of Shittim. Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence against the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their land. But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation. For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed: for the Lord dwelleth in Sion.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* vii. 17.

AND this rumour of Jesus went forth throughout all Judæa, and throughout all the region round about. And the disciples of John shewed him of all these things. And John calling unto him two of his disciples sent them to Jesus, saying: Art Thou he that should come? or look we for another? When the men were come unto Him, they said: John Baptist hath sent us unto Thee, saying: Art Thou he that should come? or look we for another? And in that same hour He cured many of their infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many that were blind He gave sight. Then Jesus answering said unto them: Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached. And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in Me. And when the messengers of John were departed, He began to speak unto the people concerning John: What went ye out into the wilderness for to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they which are gorgeously apparelled, and live delicately, are in kings' courts. But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet. This is he, of whom it is written: Behold, I send My messenger before Thy face, which shall prepare Thy way before Thee. For I say unto you: Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.

Friday.

LESSON. *Zechariah* ii. 10.

THUS saith the Lord: Sing and rejoice, O

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daughter of Sion: lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the Lord. And many nations shall be joined to the Lord in that day, and shall be My people: and I will dwell in the midst of thee, and thou shalt know that the Lord of hosts hath sent Me unto thee. And the Lord shall inherit Judah His portion in the holy land, and shall choose Jerusalem again. Be silent, O all flesh, before the Lord: for He is raised up out of His holy habitation.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* viii. 15.

JESUS said: Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Parisees, and of the leaven of Herod. And they reasoned among themselves, saying: It is because we have no bread. And when Jesus knew it, He saith unto them: Why reason ye, because ye have no bread? perceive ye not yet, neither understand? have ye your heart yet hardened? having eyes, see ye not? and having ears, hear ye not? and do ye not remember? when I brake the five loaves among five thousand, how many baskets full of fragments took ye up? They say unto Him: Twelve. And when the seven among four thousand, how many baskets full of fragments took ye up? And they said: Seven. And He said unto them: How is it that ye do not understand? And He cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto Him, and besought Him to touch him. And He took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when He had spit on his eyes, and put His hands upon him, He asked him if he saw ought. And he looked up, and said: I see men as trees, walking. After that He put His hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and he was restored, and saw every man clearly. And He sent him away to his house, saying: Neither go into the town, nor tell it to any in the town.

¶ *If Christmas Eve fall upon a Sunday, the whole office is of the Eve, with commemoration of the Sunday.*

Christmas Eve.

INTROIT. *Hodie scietis.*

AT even, then ye shall know that the Lord hath brought you out from the land of Egypt: and in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of the Lord. *Ex.* xvi. 6.

PSALM. The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is: the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein. (xxiv. 1.) Glory. At even.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who makest us glad with the yearly expectation of our redemption: grant, that as we joyfully re-

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ceive Thine Only-begotten for our Redeemer; so we may with sure confidence behold Him, when He shall come to be our Judge, Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth.

¶ *Only this Collect is said.*

EPISTLE. *Romans* i. 1.

PAUL, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God, which He had promised afore by His prophets in the holy scriptures, concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, Which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh; and declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead: by Whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for His Name: among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ.

GRADUAL. To-day at even ye shall know that the Lord will come and save you: and in the morning ye shall see His glory. *Ex.* xvi. 6. ℣. Hear, O Thou Shepherd of Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep. Shew Thyself, Thou that sittest upon the Cherubim, before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasses. *Ps.* lxxx. 1.

¶ *If the Vigil falls on Sunday, add:*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Tomorrow the iniquity of the earth shall be done away: and the Saviour of the world shall reign over us. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* i. 18 *to verse* 22. *See the Sunday after Christmas Day, page* 153.

OFFERTORY. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in. *Ps.* xxiv. 7.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that as we are about to celebrate the worshipful Nativity of Thy Son, so we may evermore joyfully receive His everlasting gifts. Through the same.

COMMUNION. The glory of the Lord shall be revealed: and all flesh shall see the salvation of our God. *Isa.* xl. 5.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee: that we may be refreshed again by the observance of the Birth of Thine Only-begotten Son; by Whose heavenly Mysteries, we are given both food and drink. Through the same.

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The Nativity of our Lord,

COMMONLY CALLED

Christmas Day.

¶ *At Midnight.*

INTROIT. *Dominus dixit.*

THE Lord said unto Me: Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten Thee. *Ps.* ii. 7.

PSALM. Why do the heathen so furiously rage together: and why do the people imagine a vain thing? (*v.* 1). Glory. The Lord.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: grant, we beseech Thee; that as we have known the mysteries of this Light on earth, so we may have the fruition of the joys thereof in heaven. Who liveth.

EPISTLE. *St. Titus* ii. 11.

THE grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. These things speak, and exhort in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRADUAL. In the day of Thy power shall the people offer Thee free-will offerings with an holy worship: the dew of Thy birth is of the womb of the morning. ℣. The Lord said unto my Lord: Sit Thou on My right hand, until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool. *Ps.* cx. 3.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord said unto Me: Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten Thee. Alleluia. *Ps.* ii. 7.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* ii. 1.

AND it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Cæsar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria. And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of

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Nazareth, into Judæa, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; because he was of the house and lineage of David; to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them: and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them: Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord: that He is come. *Ps.* xcvi. 11.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let our oblation be accepted by Thee on this Feast-day: that, by the gift of Thy grace, through the intercourse of these most sacred Mysteries, we may be found in the likeness of Him, in Whom our nature hath been united with Thee, even Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. Who liveth.

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COMMUNION. In the beauty of holiness from the womb of the morning have I begotten Thee. *Ps.* cx. 3.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that we who rejoice to keep the birthday of our Lord Jesus Christ: may be counted worthy, by a holy conversation of life, to attain unto His fellowship. Who liveth.

¶ *At Dawn.*

INTROIT. *Lux fulgebit.*

THE light shall shine upon us to-day; for unto us is born the Lord: and He shall be called Wonderful, the Mighty God, the Prince of Peace, the everlasting Father; and of His kingdom there shall be no end. *Is.* ix. 6.

PSALM. The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious

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apparel : the Lord hath put on His apparel, and girded Himself with strength (xciii. 1). Glory. The light.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that we, upon whom is poured forth the new light of the Word made Flesh: may shine by this Light in our works, Which already shineth in our hearts. Through the same.

EPISTLE. *St. Titus* iii. 4.

AFTER that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; which He shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; that being justified by His grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRADUAL. Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord: God is the Lord, Who hath shewed us light. ℣. This is the Lord's doing: and it is marvellous in our eyes. *Ps.* cxviii. 26.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on His apparel, and girded Himself with strength. Alleluia. *Ps.* xciii. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* ii. 15 *to verse* 21, "As it was told unto them." *See Feast of the Circumcision, page* 155.

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OFFERTORY. God hath made the round world so sure, that it cannot be moved: ever since the world began hath Thy seat, O God, been prepared, Thou art from everlasting. *Ps.* xciii. 2.

SECRET.

O LORD, we pray Thee, let these our gifts worthily celebrate the Mysteries of this present birthday: that as He Who was born Man hath also the glory of very God; so these earthly elements may make us partakers of that which is divine. Through the same.

COMMUNION. Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Sion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold thy King cometh unto thee, He is just, and the Saviour of the world. *Zech.* ix. 9.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that the renewal of this Sacrament on this birthday-feast may give us newness of life: by Whose wondrous Nativity the old man hath been cast away from us. Through the same.

¶ *In the Day.*

INTROIT. *Puer natus.*

UNTO us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be

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upon His shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor. *Is.* ix. 6.

PSALM. O sing unto the Lord a new song: for He hath done marvellous things (xcviii. 1.) Glory. Unto us.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast given us Thy Only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: grant that we, being regenerate, and made Thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit. Through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

EPISTLE. *Hebrews* i. 1.

GOD, Who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, Whom He hath appointed heir of all things, by Whom also He made the worlds; Who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His Person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; being made so much better than the angels, as He hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the angels said He at any time: Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten Thee? And again: I will be to Him a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son? And again, when He bringeth in the First-begotten into the world, He saith: And let all the angels of God worship Him. And of the angels He saith: Who maketh His angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son He saith: Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever; a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of Thy kingdom: Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even Thy God, hath anointed Thee with the oil of gladness above Thy fellows. And Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of Thine hands: they shall perish, but Thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment; and as a vesture shalt Thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but Thou art the same, and Thy years shall not fail.

GRADUAL. All the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God: shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands. ℣. The Lord declared His salvation: His righteousness hath He openly shewed in the sight of the heathen. *Ps.* xcviii. 3.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. A hallowed day hath enlightened us: come, ye Gentiles,

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and worship the Lord: for this day a great Light hath come down upon the earth. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. John* i. 1.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not. He came unto His own, and His own received Him not. But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. AND THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH (*here kneel*), and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The heavens are Thine, the earth also is Thine: Thou hast laid the foundations of the round world, and all that therein is: righteousness and equity are the habitation of Thy seat. *Ps.* lxxxix. 11, 14.

SECRET.

O LORD, we pray Thee, hallow our oblations by the new Birth of Thine Only-begotten Son: and mercifully cleanse us from the stains of all our sins. Through the same.

COMMUNION. All the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God. *Ps.* xcviii. 3.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that as the Saviour of the world, Who to-day was born for us, is the author of our heavenly birth, so He may also be unto us the giver of immortal life. Who liveth.

¶ *For the last Gospel, the Gospel of the Epiphany is read, page* 160.

XXVI. DECEMBER.

St. Stephen, Protomartyr

With an Octave.

INTROIT. *Sederunt principes.*

PRINCES also did sit and speak against me, and

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have persecuted me without a cause : help me, O Lord my God, for Thy servant is occupied in Thy statutes. *Ps.* cxix. 23, 161, 23.

PSALM. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. Princes.

COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, that, in all our sufferings here upon earth for the testimony of Thy truth, we may steadfastly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that shall be revealed: and being filled with the Holy Ghost; may learn to love and bless our persecutors by the example of Thy first Martyr Saint Stephen, who prayed for his murderers to Thee, O blessed Jesus, Who standest at the right hand of God to succour all those that suffer for Thee, our only Mediator and Advocate. Who livest.

¶ *Collect of the Nativity only.*

LESSON. *Acts* vii. 55.

STEPHEN, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, and said: Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing on the right hand of God. Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord, and cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul. And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying: Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. And he kneeled down, and cried out with a loud voice: Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

GRADUAL. Princes also did sit and speak against me: and have persecuted me without a cause. ℣. Help me, O Lord, my God : and save me, for Thy mercies' sake. *Ps.* cxix. 23, cix. 26.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I see the heavens opened : and Jesus standing on the right hand of God. Alleluia. *Acts* vii. 56.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xxiii. 34.

BEHOLD, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes; and some of them ye shall kill and crucify; and some of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city; that upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. Verily I say unto you: All these things shall come upon this generation. O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent

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unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. For I say unto you: Ye shall not see Me henceforth, till ye shall say: Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The Apostles chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost: whom the Jews stoned, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit, alleluia. *Acts* vi. 5; vii. 59.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, receive our gifts in commemoration of Thy Martyr Saint Stephen: and grant, that as by his sufferings he was made glorious, so by our devotion we may become blameless. Through.

¶ *Secret of the Nativity, page* 145.

COMMUNION. I see the heavens opened, and Jesus standing on the right hand of the power of God: Lord Jesus, receive my spirit, and lay not this sin to their charge, for they know not what they do. *Acts* vii. 56.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we pray Thee, that these holy Mysteries, which we have received, may help and assist us: and, at the intercession of blessed Stephen Thy Protomartyr, may we be strengthened and protected by Thee evermore. Through.

¶ *Postcommunion of the Nativity, page* 145.

XXVII. DECEMBER.

St. John the Evangelist.

With an Octave.

INTROIT. *Deus, docuisti.*

THOU, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now; therefore will I tell of Thy wondrous works in mine old age, when I am gray-headed: until I have shewed Thy strength unto this generation, and Thy power to all them that are yet for to come. *Ps.* lxxi. 15, 16.

PSALM. In Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion: but rid me, and deliver me in Thy righteousness. (*v.* 1). Glory. Thou, O God. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

MERCIFUL Lord, we beseech Thee to cast Thy bright beams of light upon Thy Church: that it being enlightened by the doctrine of Thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist Saint John may so walk in the light of Thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life. Through.

¶ *Collects of the Nativity and St. Stephen.*

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EPISTLE. 1 *St. John* i. 1.

THAT Which was from the beginning, Which we have heard, Which we have seen with our eyes, Which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled of the Word of Life; for the Life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal Life, Which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us; That Which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full. This then is the message which we have heard of Him, and declare unto you, That God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth; but if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the Blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

GRADUAL. Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die: yet Jesus said not; He shall not die. ℣. But; if I will that he tarry till I come: follow thou Me.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. This is the disciple which testifieth of these things: and we know that his testimony is true. Alleluia. *St. John* xxi. 23.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xxi. 19.

JESUS said unto Peter: Follow Me. Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following; which also leaned on His breast at supper, and said: Lord, which is he that betrayeth Thee? Peter seeing him saith to Jesus: Lord, and what shall this man do? Jesus saith unto him: If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? Follow thou Me? Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, That that disciple should not die: yet Jesus said not unto him: He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things, and we know that his testimony is true. And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which if they should be written every one, I suppose, that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. *The Creed.*

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OFFERTORY. The Life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal Life : which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us. 1 *St. John* i. 2. (*P.*)

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, at the intercession of blessed John Thine Apostle : that we being taught by his writings of the Godhead of our Redeemer ; may both love what he hath delivered to us, and follow what he commanded, and so may come to those blessed gifts promised by the same Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. Who liveth. (*P.*)

¶ *Secrets of the Nativity and of St. Stephen.*

COMMUNION. Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die : yet Jesus said not ; He shall not die, but ; if I will that he tarry till I come. *St. John* xxi. 23.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who by the beloved Disciple hast revealed unto us the hidden things of Thine eternal Word : grant, we beseech Thee ; that those things which he drew from this Divine Fountain, when feasting with Him at the mystical supper, we may profitably use here on earth, and contemplate for ever in heaven. Through the same. (*P.*)

¶ *Postcommunions of the Nativity and of St. Stephen.*

XXVIII. DECEMBER.

Holy Innocents MM.

With an Octave.

INTROIT. *Ex ore.*

OUT of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast Thou ordained strength : because of Thine enemies. *Ps.* viii. 2.

PSALM. O Lord our Governour : how excellent is Thy Name in all the world (*v.* 1). Glory. Out of.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify Thee by their deaths : mortify and kill all vices in us ; and so strengthen us by Thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify Thy holy Name. Through.

¶ *Collects of the Octaves only.*

LESSON. *Revelation* xiv. 1.

I LOOKED, and lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with Him an hundred forty and four thousand, having His Father's Name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a

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great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: and they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders; and no man could learn that song, but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women, for they are virgins: these are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth: these were redeemed from among men, being the first-fruits unto God, and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile; for they are without fault before the throne of God.

GRADUAL. Our soul is escaped even as a bird: out of the snare of the fowler. ℣. The snare is broken, and we are delivered: our help standeth in the Name of the Lord, Who hath made heaven and earth. *Ps.* cxxiv. 6, 7.

TRACT. The blood of Thy saints have they shed: like water on every side of Jerusalem. ℣. And there was no man to bury them. ℣. Avenge, O Lord, the blood of Thy saints, which is shed upon the earth. *Ps.* lxxix. 3; *Rev.* vi. 10.

¶ *If this Festival fall upon a Sunday, then the* Tract *is omitted, and in its place is said,*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The noble army of Martyrs praise Thee, O Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* ii. 13.

THE Angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying: Arise, and take the young Child, and His mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him. When he arose, he took the young Child and His mother by night, and departed into Egypt, and was there until the death of Herod; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying: Out of Egypt have I called My Son. Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth; and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying: In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Our soul is escaped even as a bird out of the snare of the fowler: the

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snare is broken, and we are delivered. *Ps.* cxxiv. 6.

SECRET.

BE present, O Lord, at the consecration of our gifts on this feast of the Holy Innocents: and grant; that we may follow after their simplicity, whose infancy which was dedicated to Thee we reverently commemorate. Through.

¶ *Secrets of the Octaves.*

COMMUNION. In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, weeping, and great mourning: Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not. *St. Matt.* ii. 18.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we have received of the gifts which we offered unto Thee: and grant, we beseech Thee; that at the prayers of the Holy Innocents, they may be a help to us both in this life present as well as that which is to come. Through.

¶ *Postcommunions of the Octaves.*

¶ Gloria in excelsis *is not said, except the Feast fall on Sunday.*

XXIX. DECEMBER.

St. Thomas of Canterbury B. M.

INTROIT. *Gaudeamus.*

LET us all rejoice in the Lord, and celebrate this feast-day in honour of the Martyr Thomas: for whose suffering the Angels rejoice, and praise the Son of God.

PSALM. Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy (lxiv. 1). Glory. Let us.

COLLECT.

O GOD, in defence of Whose Church the glorious Prelate Thomas was slain by the swords of wicked men: grant, we beseech Thee; that all they who make supplication for his help may obtain an healthful answer to their prayers. Through.

¶ *Collects of the Octave only.*

EPISTLE. *Hebrews* v. 1.

BRETHREN, Every high priest taken from among men, is ordained for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins: who can have compassion on the ignorant, and on them that are out of the way; for that he himself also is compassed with infirmity. And by reason hereof he ought, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for sins. And no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of God, as was Aaron. As He saith also in another place: Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

GRADUAL. Behold a high priest: who in his days pleased God. ℣. There was

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found none like him: who kept the law of the most High. *Ecclus.* xliv. 20.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I am the good Shepherd: and know My sheep, and am known of Mine. Alleluia. *St. John* x.

GOSPEL. *St. John* x. 11. *See Gospel for the Second Sunday after Easter.*

THE CREED.

OFFERTORY. Thou hast set, O Lord, a crown of pure gold upon his head: he asked life of Thee, and Thou gavest it him, alleluia. *Ps.* xxi. 3.

SECRET.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that blessed Thomas, Thy Bishop and Martyr, may obtain for us that the gift of the saving offering now to be consecrated to Thee may be for our salvation: that we may both know the excellency of his conversation, and partake of the benefit of his prayers. Through.

¶ *Secrets of the Octaves.*

COMMUNION. I am the good Shepherd: and know My sheep, and am known of Mine. *St. John* x. 14.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O ALMIGHTY and merciful God, grant us that by these holy things which we have taken, the pious intercession of Thy Martyr and Bishop Thomas may help us, who for the honour and glory of Thy Name was counted worthy to receive the crown of martyrdom. Through.

¶ *Postcommunions of the Octaves.*

Sunday in the Octave of Christmas.

INTROIT. *Dum medium.*

WHILE all things were in quiet silence, and night was in the midst of her swift course: Thine almighty Word leaped down from heaven out of Thy royal throne. *Wisd.* xviii. 14, 15.

PSALM. The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on His apparel, and girded Himself with strength. (xciii. 1). Glory. While all.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast given us Thy Only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: grant that we being regenerate, and made Thy children by adoption and grace; may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit. Through the same.

Or this:

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, do Thou so order our actions according to Thy good pleasure: that, in the Name of Thy beloved Son we may abound in good works. Who liveth.

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¶ *Collects of the Octaves.*

EPISTLE. *Galatians* iv. 1.

NOW I say, that the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all; but is under tutors and and governours, until the time appointed of the father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world: but when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying: Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

GRADUAL. Thou art fairer than the children of men: full of grace are Thy lips. ℣. My heart is inditing of a good matter, I speak of the things which I have made unto the King: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer. *Ps.* xlv. 3, 1.

Alleluia, alleluia. The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on His apparel, and girded Himself with strength. Alleluia. *Ps.* xciii. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* i. 18.

THE birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as His mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying: Joseph thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife; for That Which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost: And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His Name JESUS; for He shall save His people from their sins.* Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying: Behold, a Virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a Son, and they shall call His Name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. Then Joseph, being raised from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife; and knew her not till she had brought forth her first-born Son; and he called His Name JESUS. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY, God hath made the round world so sure,

* *The Gospel on Christmas Eve ends at this verse.*

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that it cannot be moved: ever since the world began hath Thy seat, O God, been prepared; Thou art from everlasting. *Ps.* xciii. 1, 2.

SECRET.

ACCEPT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the sacrifice of Thy people: whom Thou hast bidden to be fellows of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, Who vouchsafed to become partaker of our manhood. Who liveth.

¶ *Secrets of the Octaves.*

COMMUNION. Take the young Child, and His mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young Child's life. *St. Matt.* ii. 20.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that by the receiving of this sacrifice, all Thy whole Church may be made glad: because He hath taken all her weaknesses unto Himself, that she may become a partaker of the divine Nature. Through the same.

¶ *Postcommunions of the Octaves.*

XXXI. DECEMBER.

St. Silvester. P. Conf.

The Office. Sacerdotes.

¶ *All as in the Common of a Confessor and Bishop, with Commemoration of the Octaves.*

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, mercifully to look upon our oblations: and suffer us not who are strengthened by the glorious confession of blessed Silvester, Thy Confessor and Bishop, to be exposed to any perils of mind and body. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O ALMIGHTY God, we pray Thee: that at the intercession of blessed Silvester, Thy Confessor and Bishop; the gift which we have received on his feast-day, may bring salvation both to our souls and bodies. Through.

Circumcision of Christ AND Octave of the Nativity.

INTROIT. *Misit Deus.*

GOD sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law: to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. *Gal.* iv. 4.

PSALM. Lord, Thou art become gracious unto Thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. (lxxxv. 1.) Glory. God sent. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who madest Thy blessed Son to be circumcised, and obedient to the law for man: grant us the true circumci-

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sion of the Spirit; that, our hearts, and all our members, being mortified from all worldly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey Thy blessed will. Through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Who liveth.

¶ *No Commemorations.*

EPISTLE. *Romans* iv. 8.

BLESSED is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin. Cometh this blessedness then upon the circumcision only, or upon the uncircumcision also? For we say, that faith was reckoned to Abraham for righteousness. How was it then reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision. And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had yet being uncircumcised; that he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also: And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which he had being yet uncircumcised. For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect.

GRADUAL. In Christ Jesus we have redemption through His Blood: according to the riches of His grace, wherein He hath abounded toward us. ℣. And we have known and believed: the love that God hath to us. *Ephes.* i. 7. 1 *St. John* iv. 16.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. We therefore love God: because God first loved us. Alleluia. 1 *St. John* iv. 19. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* ii. 15.

AND it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another: Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this Child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

And when eight days were

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accomplished for the circumcising of the Child, His Name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before He was conceived in the womb. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. We have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the Righteous: and He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for our sins only, but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 *St. John* ii. 1. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, look upon our gifts: which we offer unto Thy Divine Majesty, in honour of the Lamb without spot, Who on this day shed the first-fruits of His Blood for us. Who liveth. (*P.*)

COMMUNION. I will rejoice in the Lord: I will joy in the God of my salvation. *Hab.* iii. 18. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, by the power of these holy Mysteries: mortify and kill all vices in our hearts; and only suffer that to live within us, whereby we may be able to serve and please Thee. Through. (*P.*)

II. JANUARY.

Oct. of St. Stephen, Protomartyr.

¶ *All as on the feast-day, with Commemoration of SS. John and Innocents. The Creed is not said, according to the Sarum use, unless the Octave fall upon Sunday.*

¶ *The Memorial of St. Mary is said from and on this day, on week days, feasts, and Sundays, till the Purification; except on the Eve and Feast of the Epiphany.*

III. JANUARY.

Oct. of St. John, Evang.

¶ *All as on the feast-day, with Commemoration of the SS. Innocents. The Creed is not said; the proper Preface of Apostles.*

IV. JANUARY.

Oct. of the Holy Innocents, M.M.

¶ *All as on the feast-day, except that Gloria in excelsis and Alleluia are said; the Creed is not said.*

V. JANUARY.

Eve of the Epiphany.

INTROIT. *Exurge Jerusalem.*

ARISE, O Jerusalem, and look about toward the east, and behold thy children gathered from the east: the Lord bringeth them unto thee exalted with glory, as children of the kingdom. *Bar.* v. 5, 6.

PSALM. Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem: praise Thy God, O Sion (cxlvii. 12). Glory. Arise. (*P.*)

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COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the brightness of Thy coming feast-day shine upon our hearts: whereby we may be able to escape the darkness of this world, and come at length to the country of everlasting glory. Through.

LESSON. *Numb.* xxiv. 15.

AND Balaam took up his parable, and said: Balaam the son of Beor hath said, and the man whose eyes are open hath said: He hath said, which heard the words of God, and knew the knowledge of the most High, which saw the vision of the Almighty, falling into a trance, but having his eyes open: I shall see Him, but not now: I shall behold Him, but not nigh: there shall come a Star out of Jacob, and a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite the corners of Moab, and destroy all the children of Sheth. And Edom shall be a possession, Seir also shall be a possession for his enemies; and Israel shall do valiantly. Out of Jacob shall come He That shall have dominion, and shall destroy him that remaineth of the city. (*P.*)

GRADUAL. Behold, I will lift up Mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up My standard to the people: and they shall bring in their arms thy sons and thy daughters. ℣. Kings shall be thy nursing fathers; they shall bow down to thee with their face toward the earth: and thou shalt know that I am the Lord. *Isa.* xlix. 22, 23.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I will confess to Thee among the Gentiles, O Lord: and sing unto Thy Name. Alleluia. *Rom.* xv. 9. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* ii. 19.

WHEN Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying: Arise, and take the young Child and His mother, and go into the land of Israel; for they are dead which sought the young Child's life. And he arose, and took the young Child and His mother, and came into the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judæa in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither; notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned aside into the parts of Galilee: and he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets: He shall be called a Nazarene.

¶ *The Creed is not said, unless it be Sunday.*

OFFERTORY. All people, nations, and languages shall serve Him: His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away; and His kingdom that which

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shall not be destroyed. *Dan.* vii. 14. (*P.*)

SECRET.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that we may offer and receive in this Sarcifice Him, Whose coming solemnity these holy gifts foretell, even Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth.

COMMUNION. The glory of God did lighten the holy city of Jerusalem; and the nations shall walk in the light of it. Alleluia. *Rev.* xxi. 23. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, worthily to celebrate the Mystery of our Saviour's infancy, declared by such shining miracles: Whose Manhood also was made manifest by His bodily growth. Through the same.

¶ *The Gloria in excelsis is not said, unless it be Sunday.*

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The Epiphany of our Lord.

INTROIT. *Ecce advenit.*

BEHOLD, the Lord the Ruler hath come: and dominion, power, and empire, are in His hand. *Mal.* iii. 1.

PSALM. Give the King Thy judgments, O God: and Thy righteousness unto the King's son (lxxii. 1). Glory. Behold.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by the leading of a star didst manifest Thy Only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: mercifully grant; that we, which know Thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of Thy glorious Godhead. Through.

EPISTLE. *Ephesians* iii. 1.

FOR this cause, I, Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles; if ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God, which is given me to youward: How that by revelation He made known unto me the mystery (as I wrote afore in few words, whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto His holy Apostles and Prophets by the Spirit: That the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ, by the Gospel: whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of His power. Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, Who created all things by Jesus Christ: to the intent, that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which He purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: in Whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of Him.

GRADUAL. All they from Sheba shall come, they shall bring gold and incense: and they shall shew forth the praises of the Lord. ℣. Arise, shine, O Jerusalem: for the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. *Isa.* lx. 6, 1.

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Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. We have seen His star in the east: and are come to worship the Lord with gifts. Alleluia. *St. Matt.* ii. 2.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* ii. 1.

WHEN Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa, in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying: Where is He that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen His star in the east, and are come to worship Him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them, where Christ should be born. And they said unto him: In Bethlehem of Judæa: for thus it is written by the prophet: And thou, Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governour that shall rule My people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said: Go, and search diligently for the young Child, and when ye have found Him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship Him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the star which they saw in the east went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother *(here kneel)*; AND FELL DOWN AND WORSHIPPED HIM: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents; the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts: all kings shall fall down before Him; all nations shall do Him service. *Ps.* lxxii. 10, 11.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably to behold the gifts of Thy Church: among which gold frankincense and myrrh are no longer set before Thee; but that which those same gifts declare, is both offered and received, even Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth.

¶ PROPER PREFACE, *page* 68.

COMMUNION. We have seen His star in the east:

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and are come to worship the Lord with gifts. *St. Matt.* ii. 2.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that those things which with solemn services we do now celebrate, we may attain unto by the clear understanding of a pure mind. Through.

¶ *Within the Octave of the Epiphany all is said as on the day, except the Creed. When the Epiphany falls on a Sunday, the service on the Sunday after is of the Octave, and the Mass following is said on the Saturday.*

First Sunday after the Epiphany.

INTROIT. *In excelso throno.*

ON the highest throne I beheld a Man sitting, Whom a multitude of Angels worship, singing together: and behold His Name and empire are for everlasting. *Is.* vi.

PSALM. O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before His presence with a song (c. 1). Glory. On the.

COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, mercifully to receive the prayers of Thy people which call upon Thee: and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same. Through.

¶ *Commemoration of the Epiphany.*

EPISTLE. *Romans* xii. 1.

I BESEECH you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God. For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, according has God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office; so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

GRADUAL. Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel: Which only doeth wondrous things from the beginning. ℣. The mountains also shall bring peace: and the little hills righteousness unto the people. *Ps.* lxxii. 18.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness. Alleluia. *Ps.* c. 1.

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GOSPEL. *St. Luke* ii. 41.

NOW His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover. And when He was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem, after the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the Child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and His Mother knew not of it. But they, supposing Him to have been in the company, went a day's journey, and they sought Him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found Him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking Him. And it came to pass, that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them and asking them questions. And all that heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers. And when they saw Him, they were amazed: and His Mother said unto Him: Son, why hast Thou thus dealt with us? behold, Thy Father and I have sought Thee sorrowing. And He said unto them: How is it that ye sought Me? wist ye not that I must be about My Father's business? And they understood not the saying which He spake unto them. And He went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but His Mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom, and stature, and in favour with God and man. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness: and come before His presence with a song: for the Lord He is God. *Ps.* c. 1, 2.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the Sacrifice which we do here offer unto Thee, quicken and defend us, both now and for evermore. Through.

¶ *Secret of the Epiphany.*

COMMUNION. Son, why hast Thou thus dealt with us? behold Thy father and I have sought Thee sorrowing. How is it that ye sought Me? wist ye not, that I must be about My Father's business. *St. Luke* ii. 48, 49.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, that by Thy holy offerings, which we have tasted: we may be both throughly cleansed from sin, and evermore be defended by Thy divine protection. Through.

¶ *Postcommunion of the Epiphany.*

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XIII. JANUARY.

Octave of the Epiphany.

* INTROIT. *Thronus Tuus.*

THY seat, O God, endureth for ever: the sceptre of Thy kingdom is a right sceptre. Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity: wherefore, God, even Thy God, hath anointed Thee with the oil of gladness above Thy fellows. *Ps.* xlv. 7, 8.

PSALM. My heart is inditing of a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made unto the King (*v.* 1). Glory. Thy seat.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Whose Only-begotten Son was manifested in the substance of our flesh: grant that we may be conformed inwardly unto Him, Whom we confess to have been made outwardly like unto us, even Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth.

Collect of St. Hilary, B. Cf.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, be present at our humble supplications: and at the intercession of blessed Hilary Thy Confessor and Bishop, whose commemoration we celebrate graciously grant unto us Thine everlasting mercy. Through.

* LESSON. *Isaiah* xlv. 14.

THUS saith the Lord: Men of stature shall come unto thee, and they shall be thine: they shall come after thee; in chains they shall come over, and they shall fall down unto thee, they shall make supplication unto thee, saying: Surely God is in thee: and there is none else, there is no God. Verily Thou art a God that hidest Thyself, O God of Israel, the Saviour. They shall be ashamed, and also confounded, all of them: they shall go to confusion together that are makers of idols. But Israel shall be saved in the Lord with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed or confounded world without end. For thus saith the Lord That created the heavens: God Himself That formed the earth and made it; He hath established it, He created it not in vain, He formed it to be inhabited: I am the Lord, and there is none else. I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth: I said not unto the seed of Jacob: Seek ye Me in vain: I the Lord speak righteousness, I declare things that are right. Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, ye that are escaped of the nations: they have no knowledge that set up the wood of their graven image, and pray unto a god that cannot save. Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it

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from that time? have not I the Lord? and there is no God else beside Me; a just God and a Saviour; and there is none beside Me. Look unto Me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else. I have sworn by Myself, the word is gone out of My mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That unto Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.

* GRADUAL. It is the Lord, That commandeth the waters: it is the glorious God, That maketh the thunder. ℣. The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation: the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice. *Ps.* xxix. 3, 4.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Lo a voice from heaven, saying: This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased. Alleluia. *St. Matt.* iii. 17.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* iii. 13.

THEN cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbad Him, saying: I have need to be baptized of Thee, and comest Thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him: Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered Him. And Jesus when He was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon Him: And lo a Voice from heaven, saying: This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased. *The Creed.*

* OFFERTORY. And straightway coming up out of the water, Jesus saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon Him. *St. Mark* i. 10.

SECRET.

O LORD, we bring our offerings before Thee in honour of the manifestation of Thine Only-begotten Son: most humbly beseeching Thee to grant; that as He is Himself the Creator of these gifts, so He may also mercifully receive them, Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord. Who liveth.

Of St. Hilary.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the prayers of St. Hilary, render our oblations well-pleasing in Thy sight: as it is on his commemoration day that they are offered unto Thee. Through.

* COMMUNION. Behold the Lamb of God, Which taketh away the sin of the world. *St. John* i. 29.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who by the Baptism of Thine Only-begotten Son was pleased to sanctify the element of water: grant that we being regenerate by water and the Spirit, may be counted worthy to attain unto everlasting joy. Through the same.

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Of St. Hilary.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the earnest of everlasting redemption, which we have now received, become unto us, at the intercession of blessed Hilary, a ready help both in this life, and in that which is to come. Through.

¶ *From the Octave of the Epiphany until Candlemas the following Commemorations shall follow the Collect for the Day, except on Doubles.*

COLLECTS.

Of the B. V. Mary.

O GOD, Who hast bestowed upon mankind the reward of everlasting salvation by the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary: grant, we beseech Thee; that we may know that we are aided by the intercession of her, by whom Thou hast counted us worthy to receive the Author of our Life, Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord.

Against the adversaries of the Church.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, favourably to receive the prayers of Thy Church: that all adversities and errors being driven away, it may safely serve Thee in all freedom. Through.

SECRETS.

Of the B. V. Mary.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that this oblation may hallow, and bring to a new birth, those who celebrate this sacred season, which Thou hast consecrated by the temporal nativity of Thine Only-begotten Son, and by the Child-bearing of the Virgin Mary.

Against the adversaries of the Church.

PROTECT us, O Lord, while we serve before Thee in these holy Mysteries: and grant that we being ever occupied with holy things, may offer unto Thee a worthy service both in body and mind. Through.

POSTCOMMUNIONS.

Of the B. V. Mary.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that we who have been satisfied with the Body and Blood of Thine Incarnate Word, may be enabled, being aided by the intercession of His spotless Mother, ever to preserve within ourselves the fruit of so great a Mystery.

Against the adversaries of the Church.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God: that Thou wilt never suffer those whom Thou dost make glad by the receiving of things divine, to be cast down by the dangers and perils of this mortal life. Through.

¶ *From Candlemas until Ash-Wednesday the second Collect is,* "For the Prayers of the Saints," *see*

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Divers Collects; *the third is at the celebrant's discretion.*

Second Sunday after Epiphany.

INTROIT. *Omnis terra.*

ALL the world shall worship Thee, O God: sing of Thee, and praise Thy Name, O Thou most Highest. *Ps.* lxvi. 3.

PSALM. O be joyful in God, all ye lands: sing praises unto the honour of His Name, make His praise to be glorious (*v.* 1.) Glory. All the world.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who dost govern all things in heaven andearth: mercifully hear the supplications of Thy people, and grant us Thy peace all the days of our life. Through.

EPISTLE. *Romans* xii. 6.

HAVING then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; or ministry, let us wait on our ministering; or he that teacheth, on teaching; or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil, cleave to that which is good. Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love, in honour preferring one another: not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. Bless them which persecute you; bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Be of the same mind one towards another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate.

GRADUAL. The Lord sent His Word, and healed them: and they were saved from their destruction. ℣. O that men would therefore praise the Lord for His goodness, and declare the wonders that He doeth for the children of men. *Ps.* cvii. 20, 21.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Praise the Lord, all ye Angels of His: praise Him, all His Host. Alleluia. *Ps.* cxlviii. 2.

GOSPEL. *St. John* ii. 1.

AND the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. And both Jesus was called, and His disciples to the marriage. And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto Him: They have no wine. Jesus saith unto her: Woman, what have I to do with thee?

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Mine hour is not yet come. His mother saith unto the servants: Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it. And there were set there six water-pots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece. Jesus saith unto them: fill the water-pots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. And He saith unto them: Draw out now, and bear unto the governour of the feast. And they bare it. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was, but the servants which drew the water knew, the governour of the feast called the bridegroom, and saith unto him: Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine, and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth His glory, and His disciples believed on Him. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O be joyful in God, all ye lands: sing praises unto the honour of His Name: O come hither and hearken, all ye that fear God: and I will tell you what the Lord hath done for my soul. Alleluia. *Ps.* lxvi. 1.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, cleanse Thy people, which cry unto Thee, from every stain of wickedness, that so our offerings may be well-pleasing in Thy sight. Through.

COMMUNION. The Lord saith unto them: Fill the water-pots with water, and bear unto the governour of the feast: when the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, he saith unto the bridegroom: Thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles did Jesus before His disciples. *St. John*, ii. 7.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the working of Thy divine power evermore increase within us: that being strengthened by these divine Sacraments, we may by Thy gift be ever made ready to receive the things thereby promised unto us. Through.

Third Sunday after Epiphany.

INTROIT. *Adorate.*

WORSHIP Him, all ye His Angels: Sion heard of it, and rejoiced: and the daughters of Judah were glad. *Ps.* xcvii. 7, 8.

PSALM. The Lord is king, the earth may be glad thereof: yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof (*v.* 1). Glory. Worship.

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COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities : and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth Thy right hand to help and defend us. Through.

EPISTLE. *Romans* xii. 16.

BE not wise in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath; for it is written : Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore, if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink; for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

GRADUAL. The heathen shall fear Thy Name, O Lord, and all the kings of the earth Thy majesty. ℣. When the Lord shall build up Sion : and when His glory shall appear. *Ps.* cii. 15.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof : yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof. Alleluia. *Ps.* xcvii. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* viii. 1.

WHEN He was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed Him. And behold, there came a leper and worshipped Him, saying : Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth His hand, and touched him, saying : I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus saith unto him : See thou tell no man, but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them. And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto Him a centurion beseeching Him, and saying : Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. And Jesus saith unto him : I will come and heal him. The centurion answered and said : Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me : and I say unto this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. When Jesus heard it, He marvelled, and said to them that followed : Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no not in Israel. And I say unto you : That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abra-

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ham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jesus said unto the centurion: Go thy way, and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the self-same hour. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass: I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. Alleluia. *Ps.* cxviii. 16.

SECRET.

WE humbly pray unto Thee, O Lord, that as we celebrate the solemn Mysteries of everlasting life: we may both by devout Sacrifice, and by good works attain unto the same. Through.

COMMUNION. All wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of the mouth of God. *St. Luke* iv. 22.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that as Thou hast given unto us, for our use, such wondrous Mysteries: so Thou wouldest vouchsafe that we may be verily moulded by the effect thereof. Through.

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany.

INTROIT. *Domine Deus.*

O LORD God of Hosts, who is like unto Thee: Thou rulest the raging of the sea, Thou stillest the waves thereof when they arise. The heavens are Thine, the earth also is Thine: Thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is, Thou hast made the north and the south. *Ps.* lxxxix. 9.

PSALM. My song shall be alway: of the loving-kindness of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. O Lord. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations. Through.

EPISTLE. *Romans* xiii. 1.

LET every soul be subject unto the higher powers; for there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou

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then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: for he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. For for this cause pay ye tribute also; for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing. Render therefore to all their dues; tribute to whom tribute is due, custom to whom custom, fear to whom fear, honour to whom honour.

GRADUAL. Waters flowed over mine head; then I said, I am cut off: I called upon Thy Name, O Lord; Thou saidst, Fear not. ℣. When my soul fainted within me, I remembered the Lord: and my prayer came in unto Thee, O my God. *Lam.* iii.; *Jonah* ii.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. My help cometh even from the Lord, Who hath made heaven and earth: behold, He that keepeth Israel, shall neither slumber nor sleep. Alleluia. *Ps.* cxxi. 2, 4. (*P.*)

GOSPEL *St. Matthew* viii. 23.

AND when He was entered into a ship, His disciples followed Him. And behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but He was asleep. And His disciples came to Him, and awoke Him, saying: Lord, save us, we perish. And He saith unto them: Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then He arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. But the men marvelled, saying: What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey Him! And when He was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met Him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. And behold, they cried out, saying: What have we to do with Thee, Jesus, Thou Son of God? art Thou come hither to torment us before the time? And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine, feeding. So the devils besought Him, saying: If Thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine. And He said unto them: Go. And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters. And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing, and what

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was befallen to the possessed of the devils. And behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw Him, they besought Him, that He would depart out of their coasts. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and declare the wonders that He doeth for the children of men: that they would offer Him the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and tell out His works with gladness. *Ps.* cvii. 21, 22. (*P.*)

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that by the gift offered in this Sacrifice, the weakness of our mortal nature may be cleansed and defended from all evil. Through.

COMMUNION. The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our refuge. Alleluia. *Ps.* xlvi. 7. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET these Thy Gifts, O God, ever set us free from earthly pleasures: and furnish us with all heavenly nourishment. Through.

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany.

INTROIT. *Adjutor.*

THOU art my defence and shield, O Lord; and my trust is in Thy word: away from me, ye wicked; I will keep the commandments of my God. *Ps.* cxix. 114, 115.

PSALM. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. Thou art. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee to keep Thy Church and houshold continually in Thy true religion: that they who do lean only upon the hope of Thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by Thy mighty power. Through.

EPISTLE. *Colossians* iii. 12.

PUT on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any; even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatsoever ye do, in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord

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Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him.

GRADUAL. Truly God is loving unto Israel : even unto such as are of a clean heart. Nevertheless, my feet were almost gone : my treadings had well nigh slipt. And why ? I was grieved at the wicked : I do also see the ungodly in such prosperity. ℣. Fret not thyself because of the ungodly, neither be thou envious against the evil doers : for they shall soon be cut down like the grass. *Ps.* lxxiii. 1.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone : but the meek-spirited shall possess the earth, and shall be refreshed in the multitude of peace. Alleluia. *Ps.* xxxvii. 10. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xiii. 24.

THE kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field. But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came, and said unto him : Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field ? from whence then hath it tares ? He said unto them : An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him : Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up ? But he said : Nay ; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest ; and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers : Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them : but gather the wheat into my barn. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Defend my cause, O Lord, against the ungodly people : that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness. *Ps.* xliii. 1. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, accept the oblations and prayers of Thy servants : that, being defended by Thy protection, they may never lose those things which Thou hast bestowed, and may safely attain to the things which they desire. Through.

COMMUNION. O pluck me not away, O Lord : neither destroy me with the ungodly and wicked doers. *Ps.* xxviii. 3. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who dost bring it to pass that by the receiving of Thy Sacrament, the effect of its virtue doth work in our hearts : grant, that by the Divine Gift we have received, we may be made meet for the same. Through.

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Sixth Sunday after Epiphany.

INTROIT. *Confige timore Tuo.*

MY flesh trembleth for fear of Thee, and I am afraid of Thy judgements: O deal with Thy servant according unto Thy loving mercy. *Ps.* cxix. 120.

PSALM. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord. (*v.* 1.) Glory. My flesh. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O GOD, Whose blessed Son was manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life: grant us, we beseech Thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as He is pure; that, when He shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto Him in His eternal and glorious kingdom; where with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, He liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. John* iii. 1.

BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew Him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know, that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is. And every man that hath this hope in Him purifieth himself, even as He is pure. Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. And ye know that He was manifested to take away our sins; and in Him is no sin. Whosoever abideth in Him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen Him, neither known Him. Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as He is righteous. He that committeth sin is of the devil: for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

GRADUAL. I saw a great white throne, and Him that sat upon it: from Whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. ℣. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God: and the books were opened, and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. *Rev.* xx. 11.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Power belongeth unto God, and Thou, Lord, art merciful: for Thou rewardest

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every man according to his works. Alleluia. *Ps.* lxii. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxiv. 23.

THEN if any man shall say unto you: Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that if it were possible they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore, if they shall say unto you: Behold, He is in the desert; go not forth: behold, He is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be. For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken. And then shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. And He shall send His Angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Take ye heed, watch and pray; for ye know not when the time is; and what I say unto you, I say unto all, watch. *St. Mark* xiii. (*P.*)

SECRET.

LET this holy oblation, O God, we beseech Thee, evermore cleanse, renew, govern, and protect us. Through. (*R.*)

COMMUNION. The Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give us at that day a crown of righteousness: unto all them that love His appearing. 2 *Tim.* iv. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, that as Thou hast fed us with heavenly delights: so we may evermore desire these same things, whereby we truly live. Through. (*R.*)

Septuagesima Sunday.

INTROIT. *Circumdederunt.*

THE sorrows of death compassed me; the pains of hell came about me: in my trouble I called upon the Lord, and He heard my voice out of His holy temple. *Ps.* xviii. 3—6.

PSALM. I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my stony rock, my defence and my Saviour. (*v.* 1). Glory. The sorrows.

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COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee favourably to hear the prayers of Thy people: that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by Thy goodness, for the glory of Thy Name. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *Cor.* ix. 24.

KNOW ye not, that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things: now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: but I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection, lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

GRADUAL. The Lord will be a refuge in due time of trouble; and they that know Thy Name will put their trust in Thee: for Thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek Thee. ℣. For the poor shall not alway be forgotten; the patient abiding of the meek shall not perish for ever: up, Lord, and let not man have the upper hand. *Ps.* ix. 9, 18.

TRACT. Out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. ℣. O let Thine ears consider well: the voice of my complaint. ℣ If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss: O Lord, who may abide it? ℣. For there is mercy with Thee: therefore shalt Thou be feared. *Ps.* cxxx.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xx. 1.

THE kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an housholder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard. And when he had agreed with the labourers for a peny a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the market-place, and said unto them: Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way. Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise. And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them: Why stand ye here all the day idle? They say unto him: Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them: Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive. So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward: Call the labourers, and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first. And when they

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came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every man a peny. But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a peny. And when they had received it, they murmured against the good-man of the house, saying: These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day. But he answered one of them, and said: Friend, I do thee no wrong; didst not thou agree with me for a peny? Take that thine is, and go thy way; I will give unto this last even as unto thee. Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord: and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O most Highest. *Ps.* xcii.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, receive our offerings and our prayers: and both cleanse us by Thy heavenly Mysteries, and also favourably hear us when we call upon Thee. Through.

COMMUNION. Shew Thy servant the light of Thy countenance, and save me for Thy mercy's sake: let me not be confounded, O Lord, for I have called upon Thee. *Ps.* xxxi. 18.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET Thy faithful people, O God, be made strong by these Thy Gifts: that by receiving the same, they may continually seek them, and seeking them may evermore find them. Through.

¶ *Gloria in excelsis is not said from this Sunday until Easter, except on feast-days, on Maundy Thursday, and Easter Eve, according to ancient use.*

Sexagesima Sunday.

INTROIT. *Exurge.*

UP, Lord, why sleepest Thou; awake, and be not absent from us for ever: wherefore hidest Thou Thy face, and forgettest our misery and trouble; our belly cleaveth unto the ground: arise, and help us, O Lord, and deliver us for Thy mercy's sake. *Ps.* xliv. 23—26.

PSALM. We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us: what Thou hast done in their time of old. (*v.* 1). Glory. Up, Lord.

COLLECT.

O LORD God, Who seest that we put not our trust in any thing that we do: mercifully grant that by Thy

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power we may be defended against all adversity. Through.

EPISTLE. 2 *Cor.* xi. 19.

YE suffer fools gladly, seeing ye yourselves are wise. For ye suffer if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face. I speak as concerning reproach, as though we had been weak: howbeit, whereinsoever any is bold, I speak foolishly, I am bold also. Are they Hebrews? so am I. Are they Israelites? so am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I. Are they ministers of Christ? I speak as a fool; I am more: in labours more abundant; in stripes above measure; in prisons more frequent; in deaths oft. Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one; thrice was I beaten with rods; once was I stoned; thrice I suffered shipwreck; a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeying often; in perils of waters; in perils of robbers; in perils by mine own countrymen; in perils by the heathen; in perils in the city: in perils in the wilderness; in perils in the sea; in perils among false brethren; in weariness and painfulness; in watchings often; in hunger and thirst; in fastings often; in cold and nakedness; besides those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not? If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities. The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not.

¶ *The Epistle was continued from verse* 32 *to ch.* xii. 1—9. *But on week days, the last part only was read, beginning,* At Damascus, *v.* 32.

GRADUAL. Let the nations know that Thou, Whose Name is Jehovah: art only the most Highest over all the earth. ℣. O my God, make them like unto a wheel: and as the stubble before the wind. *Ps.* lxxxiii. 18, 13.

TRACT. Thou hast moved the land, O Lord: and divided it. ℣. Heal the sores thereof: for it shaketh. ℣. That they may triumph because of the truth: that Thy beloved may be delivered. *Ps.* lx. 2, 4.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* viii. 4.

WHEN much people were gathered together, and were come to Him out of every city, He spake by a parable: A sower went out to sow his seed; and as He sowed, some fell by the wayside, and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. And some fell upon a rock, and as soon

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as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it. And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundred-fold. And when He had said these things, He cried: He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. And His disciples asked Him, saying: What might this parable be? And He said: Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the Word of God. Those by the wayside are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe, and be saved. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns, are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares, and riches, and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground, are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O hold Thou up my goings in Thy paths, that my footsteps slip not: incline Thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words; shew Thy marvellous loving-kindness, O Lord: Thou That art the Saviour of them which put their trust in Thee. *Ps.* xvii. 5.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably to behold the offering of this Thy family: that as Thou dost make us partakers of Thy holy gifts, so grant us to attain hereafter to the full enjoyment of the same. Through.

COMMUNION. I will go unto the altar of God: even unto the God of my joy and gladness. *Ps.* xliii. 4.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE humbly beseech Thee, almighty God: that as Thou dost refresh us by Thy Sacraments: so Thou wouldest also grant us worthily to serve Thee, in a life and conversation well pleasing unto Thee. Through.

Quinquagesima Sunday.

INTROIT. *Esto mihi.*

BE Thou my strong rock, O Lord, and house of defence, that Thou mayest save me: for Thou art my strong rock, and my castle; be Thou also my guide, and

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lead me for Thy Name's sake. *Ps.* xxxi. 3, 4.

PSALM. In Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion, deliver me in Thy righteousness (*v.* 1). Glory. Be Thou.

COLLECT.

O LORD, Who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth: send Thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before Thee: grant this for Thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Who.

EPISTLE. 1 *Cor.* xiii. 1.

THOUGH I speak with the tongues of men and of Angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have no charity, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

GRADUAL. Thou art the God alone That doeth wonders: and hast declared Thy power among the people. ℣. Thou hast mightily delivered Thy people: even the sons of Jacob and Joseph. *Ps.* lxxvii. 14, 15.

TRACT. O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness. ℣. Come before His presence with a song: be ye sure that the Lord He is God. ℣. It is He That hath made us, and not we ourselves: we are

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His people, and the sheep of His pasture. *Ps.* c. 1, 2.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xviii. 31.

THEN Jesus took unto Him the twelve, and said unto them: Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man shall be accomplished. For He shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on: and they shall scourge Him, and put Him to death; and the third day He shall rise again. And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken. And it came to pass, that as He was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way-side begging: and hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant. And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by. And he cried, saying: Jesus, Thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried so much the more: Thou Son of David, have mercy on me And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto Him: and when he was come near, He asked him, saying: What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? And he said: Lord, that I may receive my sight. And Jesus said unto him: Receive thy sight; thy faith hath saved thee. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Blessed art Thou, O Lord, O teach me Thy statutes: with my lips have I been telling of all the judgements of Thy mouth. *Ps.* cxix. 12, 13.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let this offering cleanse us from our offences: and hallow the bodies and minds of them that submit themselves unto Thee, for the celebration of this Sacrifice. Through.

COMMUNION. They did eat, and were well filled, for the Lord gave them their own desire: they were not disappointed of their lust. *Ps.* lxxviii. 30.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, almighty God: that we who have received this heavenly nourishment, may thereby be defended from all adversities. Through.

FIRST DAY OF LENT,

COMMONLY CALLED

Ash Wednesday.

THE BLESSING AND IMPOSITION OF THE ASHES.

The following were the ceremonies, which were in use

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on this day, according to the ancient custom of the Church.

¶ *The ashes to be blessed, (which should be made from the Palms blessed on the previous Palm Sunday) are placed in a silver or some other fitting vessel at the Epistle side of the Altar; the celebrant being vested as for Mass, but without maniple and chasuble, stands there, facing east, and says:*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast mercy upon all, and hatest nothing that Thou hast made, winking at the sins of men because they should repent: Who dost also give succour to them that labour in their time of need: vouchsafe to bl✠ess and hal✠low these ashes, which Thou hast ordained that we should bear on our heads, after the example of the Ninevites, as a sign of humility and holy religion, for the cleansing of our offences: and grant, that by the invocation of Thy holy Name, all those who beseeching Thy mercy, shall bear them on their heads, may be counted worthy to receive pardon of all their sins, and may so begin their holy fast to-day, that in the day of the Resurrection they may with minds cleansed and made pure draw near to the holy Feast of the Passover, and hereafter receive everlasting glory. Through.

¶ *Here the priest sprinkles the ashes with holy water. Then he says:*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O GOD, Who desirest not the death of sinners, but rather that they should repent: most mercifully look upon the weakness of man's estate: and of Thy loving-kindness vouchsafe to bl✠ess and hal✠low these ashes, which we purpose to put upon our heads for a sign of humility, and to obtain Thy pardon: that so we, who know ourselves, from Thine admonition, to be but ashes, and for our evil deservings, that we shall return to dust again; may be accounted worthy to obtain the forgiveness of all our sins, and the rewards Thou hast mercifully promised to them that are penitent. Through.

¶ *Then the priest kneels in the midst of the Altar, and puts ashes on his own head, in the form of a cross, saying nothing: but if another priest be present, he here goes to the Altar, without stole, and puts ashes on the celebrant, who stands turned towards the people with his head bowed, saying,* Remember, &c.

¶ *Then the celebrant puts them on the heads of those present kneeling before the Altar, beginning on the Epistle side with those*

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highest in rank, first clergy, then men, and then women, making the sign of the Cross with the ashes upon each, and saying :

REMEMBER, O man, that dust thou art: and unto dust shalt thou return. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *While this is being done, the following Antiphons are said or sung :*

HEAR me, O Lord, for Thy loving-kindness is comfortable : turn Thee unto me, according to the multitude of Thy mercies, O Lord.

PSALM. Save me, O God: for the waters are come in, even unto my soul (lxix. 17). Glory. Hear me.

¶ *Another Antiphon.*

LET the priests and levites, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say: spare Thy people, O Lord, spare them: and shut not the mouths of them that call upon Thee, O Lord.

¶ *Another Antiphon.*

LET us change our garments for sackcloth and ashes: let us fast and weep before the Lord: for our God is rich in mercy to forgive us our sins.

¶ *When all have received ashes, the priest washes his hands, also cleansing them with crumb of bread; then at the choir step, (or at the Epistle side of the Altar), says :*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O GOD, Who art justly angry, but yet dost mercifully forgive: accept the tears of Thine afflicted people, and favourably turn away from us Thy wrathful indignation, which we have justly deserved. Through.

Let us pray.

GRANT us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, so to enter upon the defence of our Christian warfare with holy fastings: that we who are about to wrestle with spiritual wickednesses, may be helped and defended by the aid of continence. Through.

¶ *The priest puts on the maniple and chasuble, and begins Mass in the accustomed way.*

INTROIT. *Misereris omnium.*

THOU hast mercy upon all, O Lord, and abhorrest nothing which Thou hast made; and winkest at the sins of men, because they should amend: and sparest all, because Thou art the Lord our God. *Wisd.* xi. 23.

PSALM. Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in Thee (lvii. 1). Glory. Thou hast.

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COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hatest nothing that Thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts; that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of Thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness. Through.

Or this:

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, to Thy faithful people: that they may enter upon the holy and solemn fast with fitting piety, and continue the same with safety and devotion. Through.

¶ *From to-day until Passion Sunday after the Collect of the day, the second Collect is,* For the Prayers of the Saints; *the third,* For all sorts and conditions of men. *See* Divers Collects.

LESSON. *Joel* ii. 12.

TURN ye even to Me, saith the Lord, with all your heart, and with fasting and with weeping, and with mourning. And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth Him of the evil. Who knoweth if He will return, and repent, and leave a blessing behind Him, even a meat-offering and a drink-offering unto the Lord your God? Blow the trumpet in Sion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts; let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet; let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say: Spare Thy people, O Lord, and give not Thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?*

Then will the Lord be jealous for His land, and pity His people. Yea, the Lord will answer and say unto His people: Behold, I will send you corn, and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen: saith the Lord Almighty.

GRADUAL. Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in Thee. ℣. He shall send from heaven: and save me from the reproof of him that would eat me up. *Ps.* lvii.

TRACT. O Lord, deal not with us after our sins: nor

* *Anciently the Epistle did not end here, but at verse* 19.

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reward us according to our wickedness. *Ps.* ciii. ℣. Lord, remember not our old sins: but have mercy upon us, and that soon, for we are come to great misery. ℣.* Help us, O God of our salvation: for the glory of Thy Name, O Lord, deliver us: and be merciful unto our sins, for Thy Name's sake. *Ps.* lxxix. 8.

¶ *This Tract is said every Monday and Friday till Maundy Thursday, when the Mass is of the Lenten week-day.*

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* vi. 16.

WHEN ye fast, be not as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you: They have their reward. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face, that thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father, Which is in secret; and thy Father, Which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly. Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

OFFERTORY. I will magnify Thee, O Lord, for Thou hast set me up, and not made my foes to triumph over me: O Lord my God, I cried unto Thee, and Thou hast healed me. *Ps.* xxx. 1.

SECRET.

MAKE us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to be duly fitted to offer these gifts: wherewith we do keep the beginning of this holy fast. Through.

¶ *Secrets*, 2. For Prayers of the Saints; 3. For all sorts and conditions of men. *See* Divers Collects.

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COMMUNION. He who will exercise himself in the law of the Lord, day and night: will bring forth his fruit in due season. *Ps.* i.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the Sacraments, O Lord, which we have received afford us help: that our fasts may be both acceptable unto Thee, and profitable for our own healing. Through.

¶ *The Postcommunions*, 2. For the Prayers of the Saints. 3. For all sorts and

* *Here a genuflexion is now usually made, but according to the Sarum Use, it was not the custom to kneel while this verse was said.*

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conditions of men. *See* Divers Collects.

¶ *Then the Postcommunions ended, the priest says,* Let us pray: *if there be a deacon ministering, he says, otherwise the priest himself says:* Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER *over the people.*

GIVE favourable heed, O Lord, to Thy people who bow themselves down before Thy Majesty: that as they have been refreshed with this divine Gift, so they may evermore be nourished by Thine heavenly aid. Through.

Thursday after Ash Wednesday.

INTROIT. *Cum clamarem.*

WHEN I called upon the Lord, He heard my voice from the battle that was against me: and God that endureth for ever shall bring them down: O cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall nourish thee. *Ps.* lv. 19.

PSALM. Hear my prayer, O God, and hide not Thyself from my petition: take heed unto me and hear me (*v.* 1, 2). Glory. When.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who art offended by sin, and willest to be reconciled by penitence: mercifully regard the prayers of Thy people which call upon Thee; and turn away the scourges of Thy wrath, which for our sins we have justly deserved. Through.

¶ *The other Collects as on Ash Wednesday, page* 183.

LESSON. *Isaiah* xxxviii. 1.

IN those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came unto him, and said unto him: Thus saith the Lord, Set thine house in order: for thou shalt die, and not live. Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed unto the Lord, and said: Remember now, O Lord, I beseech Thee, how I have walked before Thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in Thy sight. And Hezekiah wept sore. Then came the word of the Lord to Isaiah, saying: Go, and say to Hezekiah: Thus saith the Lord, the God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will add unto thy days fifteen years. And I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria: and I will defend this city.

GRADUAL. O cast thy burden upon the Lord: and He shall nourish thee. ℣. When I called upon the Lord: He heard my voice from the battle that was against me. *Ps.* lv. 23.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* viii. 5.

AND when Jesus was entered into Capernaum,

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there came unto Him a centurion, beseeching Him, and saying: Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. And Jesus saith unto him: I will come and heal him. The centurion answered and said: Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. When Jesus heard it, He marvelled, and said to them that followed: Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jesus said unto the centurion: Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.

OFFERTORY. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul: my God, I have put my trust in Thee; O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me: for all they that hope in Thee shall not be ashamed. *Ps.* xxv. 1, 2.

SECRET.

WE offer to Thee, O Lord, the gifts which Thou hast given us: that as they shew forth the aid which Thy creatures afford us now in our mortal life, so they may work in us a remedy unto the life immortal. Through.

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COMMUNION. Thou shalt be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations: upon Thine Altar, O Lord. *Ps.* li. 19.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT to Thy faithful people, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that they may continually receive the Paschal Sacraments, and earnestly look forward to those that are coming, so that steadfastly abiding in the mysteries by which they have been renewed, they may by such works be brought to the newness of life. Through.

¶ *Other Postcommunions as on Ash Wednesday, page* 184.

PRAYER.

SPARE Thy people, O Lord, spare them: that we, who are chastised with the punishment which we deserve, may of Thy tender mercy be relieved. Through.

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Friday after Ash Wednesday.

INTROIT. *Audivit Dominus.*

HEAR, O Lord, and have mercy upon me: Lord, be Thou my helper. *Ps.* xxx. 11.

PSALM. I will magnify Thee, O Lord, for Thou hast set me up: and not made my foes to triumph over me (*v.* 1). Glory. Hear.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, of Thy gracious favour to assist us in the fasts which we have begun: that we may be enabled to practise the same devotion in inward sincerity of mind, which we shew in the outward denial of the body. Through.

LESSON. *Isaiah* lviii. 1.

THUS saith the Lord: Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew My people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins. Yet they seek Me daily, and delight to know My ways, as a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God: they ask of Me the ordinances of justice; they take delight in approaching to God. Wherefore have we fasted, say they, and Thou seest not? wherefore have we afflicted our soul, and Thou takest no knowledge? Behold, in the day of your fast ye find pleasure, and exact all your labours. Behold, ye fast for strife and debate, and to smite with the fist of wickedness: ye shall not fast as ye do this day, to make your voice to be heard on high. Is it such a fast that I have chosen? a day for a man to afflict his soul? is it to bow down his head as a bulrush, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? wilt thou call this a fast, and an acceptable day to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh? Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the Lord shall be thy rereward. Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer; thou shalt cry, and He shall say: Here I am, for I am merciful, the Lord thy God.

GRADUAL. One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require: even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord. ℣. To behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and be protected by His Temple. *Ps.* xxvii. 4.

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GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* v. 43.

JESUS said: Ye have heard that it hath been said: Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you: Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you: that ye may be the children of your Father Which is in heaven: for He maketh His sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same? And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so? Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father Which is in heaven is perfect. Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father Which is in heaven. Therefore when thou doest thine alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: that thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father Which seeth in secret Himself shall reward thee openly. And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father Which is in secret; and thy Father Which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

OFFERTORY. Quicken me, O Lord, according to Thy word: that I may know Thy testimonies. *Ps.* cxix. 107.

SECRET.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the sacrifice of the holy observance of Lent, which we offer, may both make our minds acceptable unto Thee, and also bestow upon us the power of a more ready continence. Through.

COMMUNION. Serve the Lord in fear: and rejoice unto Him with reverence, receive instruction, lest ye perish from the right way. *Ps.* ii. 11.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to grant us, that as we continually approach the heavenly gifts in devotion and service, we may evermore

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perceive their healthfulness within ourselves. Through.

PRAYER.

DEFEND Thy people, O Lord, and mercifully cleanse them from all their sins: forasmuch as no adversity can harm them, if no wickedness have dominion over them. Through.

Saturday after Ash Wednesday.

The INTROIT, GRADUAL, OFFERTORY, *and* COMMUNION *the same as on Friday.*

COLLECT.

BE present, O Lord, at our supplications, and grant: that we may celebrate with devout attention this solemn fast, which is ordained for the saving health of our souls and bodies. Through.

LESSON. *Isaiah* lviii. 9.

THUS saith the Lord: If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity; and if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noonday: and the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not. And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in. If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on My holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable; and shalt honour Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* vi. 47.

AND when even was come, the ship was in the midst of the sea, and Jesus alone on the land. And He saw them toiling in rowing; for the wind was contrary unto them: and about the fourth watch of the night He cometh unto them, walking upon the sea, and would have passed by them. But when they saw Him walking upon the sea, they supposed it had been a spirit, and cried out: for they all saw Him, and were troubled. And immediately He talked with them, and saith unto them: Be of good cheer: it is I; be not

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afraid. And He went up unto them into the ship; and the wind ceased: and they were sore amazed in themselves beyond measure, and wondered. For they considered not the miracle of the loaves: for their heart was hardened. And when they had passed over, they came into the land of Gennesaret, and drew to the shore. And when they were come out of the ship, straightway they knew Him, and ran through that whole region round about, and began to carry about in beds those that were sick, where they heard He was. And whithersoever He entered, into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought Him that they might touch if it were but the border of His garment: and as many as touched Him were made whole.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, to make us ready by the duties of abstinence we have undertaken: that we may evermore celebrate this solemn sacrifice with sober minds. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, being strengthened by the gift of heavenly life: that what is a mystery to us in this life present, may be a help for the life everlasting. Through.

PRAYER.

MAKE us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, to work out our own salvation: and so may we ever continually seek the means thereto with devout service, and now with greater devotion celebrate those which have just begun. Through.

First Sunday in Lent.

INTROIT. *Invocavit.*

HE shall call upon Me, and I will hear him; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour: with long life will I satisfy him. *Ps.* xci. 15.

PSALM. Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. (*v.* 1.) Glory. He shall.

COLLECT.

O LORD, Who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights: give us grace to use such abstinence; that our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey Thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to Thy honour and glory. Who livest.

Or this.

O GOD, Who dost purify Thy Church by a yearly fast of forty days: grant unto this Thy family; that those good things which by abstinence we do strive to obtain from Thee, we may by our good works shew forth. Through.

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EPISTLE. 2 *Corinthians* vi. 1.

WE then, as workers together with Him, beseech you also, that ye receive not the grace of God in vain; for He saith: I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation; giving no offence in anything, that the ministry be not blamed; but in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings; by pureness, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; as sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

GRADUAL. God shall give His Angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. ℣. They shall bear thee in their hands: that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone. *Ps.* xci. 11.

TRACT. Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. ℣. I will say unto the Lord: Thou art my hope, and my stronghold: my God, in Him will I trust. ℣. For He shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter: and from the noisome pestilence. ℣. He shall defend thee under His wings: and thou shalt be safe under His feathers. ℣. His faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler: thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night. ℣. For the arrow that flieth by day: for the pestilence that walketh in darkness, nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day. ℣. A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand: but it shall not come nigh thee. ℣. For He shall give His Angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. ℣. They shall bear thee in their hands: that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone. ℣. Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet. ℣. Because he hath set his love upon Me: therefore will I deliver him: I will set him up, because he hath known My Name. ℣. He shall call upon Me, and I

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will hear him : yea, I am with him in trouble. ℣. I will deliver him, and bring him to honour : with long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation. *Ps.* xci.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* iv. 1.

THEN was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness, to be tempted of the devil. And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He was afterward anhungred. And when the tempter came to Him, he said: If Thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. But He answered and said: It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. Then the devil taketh Him up into the holy city, and setteth Him on a pinnacle of the temple, and saith unto Him: If Thou be the Son of God, cast Thyself down; for it is written: He shall give His Angels charge concerning Thee, and in their hands they shall bear Thee up, lest at any time Thou dash Thy foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him: It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord Thy God. Again the devil taketh Him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth Him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and saith unto Him: All these things will I give Thee, if Thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him: Get thee hence Satan; for it is written: Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve. Then the devil leaveth Him, and behold, Angels came and ministered unto Him. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The Lord shall defend thee under His wings: and thou shalt be safe under His feathers: His faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler. *Ps.* xci. 4.

SECRET.

O LORD, we solemnly offer unto Thee this our Sacrifice at the beginning of the Lenten Fast, most humbly beseeching Thee: that while we abstain from carnal feastings, we may also keep ourselves from hurtful pleasures. Through.

¶ *Secrets as on Ash Wednesday.*

COMMUNION. Elias arose and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God. 1 *Kings* xix. 8. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, that the offering of Thy holy Sacrament may renew us: so that we who have been cleansed from our old nature, may become partakers of Thy Mysteries. Through.

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¶ *Postcommunions as on Ash Wednesday.*

Monday after Invocavit.

INTROIT. *Sicut oculi.*

AS the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters: even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until He have mercy upon us. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us. *Ps.* cxxiii. 2.

PSALM. Unto Thee lift I up mine eyes: O Thou that dwellest in the heavens (*v.* 1). Glory. As the eyes.

COLLECT.

TURN Thou us, O God, our Saviour: and that our Lenten Fast may profit us, do Thou instruct our minds by Thy heavenly discipline. Through.

LESSON. *Ezekiel* xxxiv. 11.

THUS saith the Lord God: Behold, I, even I, will both search My sheep, and seek them out. As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered; so will I seek out My sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day. And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and in a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel. I will feed My flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord God. I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick: but I will destroy the fat and the strong; I will feed them with judgment, saith the Lord almighty.

GRADUAL. Behold, O God, our defender: and look upon Thy servants. ℣. O Lord God of Hosts, hear the prayers of Thy servants. *Ps.* lxxxiv. 9.

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GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxv. 31.

JESUS said: When the Son of Man shall come in His glory, and all the holy Angels with Him, then shall He sit upon the throne of His glory: and before Him shall be gathered all nations: and He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: and He shall set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on His right hand: Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit

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the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was an hungred, and ye gave Me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave Me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took Me in: naked, and ye clothed Me: I was sick, and ye visited Me: I was in prison, and ye came unto Me. Then shall the righteous answer Him, saying: Lord when saw we Thee an hungred, and fed Thee? or thirsty, and gave Thee drink? When saw we Thee a stranger, and took Thee in? or naked, and clothed Thee? Or when saw we Thee sick, or in prison, and came unto Thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them: Verily, I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me. Then shall He say also unto them on the left hand: Depart from Me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: for I was an hungred, and ye gave Me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave Me no drink: I was a stranger, and ye took Me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited Me not. Then shall they also answer Him, saying: Lord, when saw we Thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto Thee? Then shall He answer them, saying: Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to Me. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

OFFERTORY. I will lift up mine eyes and see the wondrous things of Thy law, O Lord: that Thou mayest teach me Thy righteousness; grant me understanding: that I may learn Thy commandments. *Ps.* cxix. 18.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, that the offering which we devoutly make may be accepted by Thee: so that by Thy working it may both sanctify our fast, and obtain for us the favour of Thy heavenly comfort. Through.

COMMUNION. I did call upon the Lord with my voice: and He heard me out of His holy hill; I will not be afraid of ten thousand of the people, that have set themselves against me round about. *Ps.* iii. 4.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, that the drawing nigh to these holy Mysteries may continually profit us: so that thereby we may be set free from all earthly desires, and evermore be instructed in the love of heavenly things. Through.

PRAYER.

LOOSEN, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the bonds

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of our sins: and of Thy tender mercy turn away from us whatever punishment that we deserve. Through.

Tuesday after Invocavit.

INTROIT. *Domine, refugium.*

LORD, Thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another: Thou art from everlasting, world without end. *Ps.* xc. 1.

PSALM. Before the mountains were brought forth: or ever the earth and the world were made (*v.* 2). Glory. Lord.

COLLECT.

O LORD, look down upon this Thy family, and grant: that as we chastise ourselves by mortification of the flesh, so our minds may, by longing desire of Thee, be enlightened and shine in Thy sight. Through.

LESSON. *Isaiah* lv. 6.

IN those days Isaiah the prophet spoke, saying: Seek ye the Lord while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near: let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: so shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth: it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it, saith the Lord almighty.

GRADUAL Let my prayer be set forth in Thy sight as the incense, O Lord. ℣. Let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice. *Ps.* cxli. 2.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxi. 10.

AND when Jesus was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying: Who is this? And the multitude said: This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee. And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves, and said unto them: It is written: My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves. And the blind and the lame came to Him in the temple; and He healed them. And

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when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that He did, and the children crying in the temple, and saying: Hosanna to the son of David; they were sore displeased, and said unto Him: Hearest Thou what these say? And Jesus saith unto them: Yea; have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise? And He left them, and went out of the city into Bethany; and He lodged there, and taught them concerning the Kingdom of God.

OFFERTORY. My hope hath been in Thee, O Lord, I have said, Thou art my God: my time is in Thy hand. *Ps.* xxxi. 15.

SECRET.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the inward devout affection which we offer unto Thee may be fitting to the gift that is set apart to Thy service. Through.

COMMUNION. Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: Thou hast set me at liberty, when I was in trouble; have mercy upon me, O Lord, and hearken unto my prayer. *Ps.* iv. 1.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O almighty God: that we may obtain the effect of that salvation, of which we have received the pledge in these holy Mysteries. Through.

PRAYER.

LET our prayers, O Lord, ascend to Thee: and do Thou drive away all wickedness from Thy Church. Through.

Ember Wednesday.

INTROIT. *Reminiscere.*

CALL to remembrance, O Lord, Thy tender mercies, and Thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old: neither let mine enemies triumph over me; deliver Israel, O God, out of all his troubles. *Ps.* xxv. 5.

PSALM. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul: my God, I have put my trust in Thee, O let me not be confounded (*v.* 1). Glory. Call to.

COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, graciously hear our prayers: and stretch out the right hand of Thy Majesty to be our defence against all things that hinder and oppose us. Through.

LESSON. 1 *Kings* xix. 3.

ELIJAH arose, and went for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said: It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life; for I am

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not better than my fathers. And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an Angel touched him, and said unto him: Arise and eat. And he looked, and, behold, there was a cake baken on the coals, and a cruise of water at his head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again. And the Angel of the Lord came again the second time, and touched him, and said: Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for thee. And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God.

GRADUAL. The sorrows of my heart are enlarged: O bring Thou me out of my troubles, O Lord ℣. Look upon my adversity and misery: and forgive me all my sin. *Ps.* xxv. 17, 18.

TRACT. O bring Thou me out of my troubles, O Lord: look upon my adversity and misery; and forgive me all my sin. ℣. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in Thee: O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me. ℣. For all they that hope in Thee shall not be ashamed: but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion. *Ps.* xxv. 1—4.

¶ *This Tract is said on every Wednesday until Palm Sunday.*

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xii. 38.

THEN certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered Jesus, saying: Master, we would see a sign from Thee. But He answered and said unto them: An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas: For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here. The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none. Then he saith: I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse

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than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation. While He yet talked to the people, behold, His mother and His brethren stood without, desiring to speak with Him. Then one said unto Him: Behold, Thy mother and Thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with Thee. But He answered and said unto him that told Him: Who is My mother, and who are My brethren? And He stretched forth His hand toward His disciples, and said: Behold My mother and My brethren: for whosoever shall do the will of My Father which is in heaven, the same is My brother, and sister, and mother.

OFFERTORY. My delight shall be in Thy commandments, which I have loved; my hands also will I lift up unto Thy commandments, which I have loved. *Ps.* cxix. 47.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to give heed to this our only excellent Sacrifice: that those things which we believe may be hoped for; by partaking of this holy Mystery, we may receive according to our earnest expectation. Through.

COMMUNION. Consider my meditation; O hearken Thou unto the voice of my calling, my King and my God: for unto Thee will I make my prayer, O Lord. *Ps.* v. 1—3.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that the holy Gifts may cleanse away our guilt; and work in us the fruit of good living. Through.

PRAYER.

ENLIGHTEN our minds, we beseech Thee, O Lord, with the brightness of Thy light: that we may see what things we ought to do, and also may have strength to do those things that be right. Through.

Thursday after Invocavit.

INTROIT. *Confessio.*

GLORY and worship are before Him: power and honour are in His sanctuary. *Ps.* xcvi. 6.

PSALM. O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth (*v.* 1). Glory be. Glory.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast appointed the observance of fasting and the giving of alms to be wholesome remedies for our sins: grant, that we may ever devoutly serve Thee both in body and mind. Through.

LESSON. *Ezekiel* xviii. 1.

THE word of the Lord came unto me again, saying: What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concern-

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ing the land of Israel, saying: The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge? As I live, saith the Lord God, ye shall not have occasion any more to use this proverb in Israel. Behold, all souls are Mine: as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is Mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die. But if a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right, and hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, neither hath defiled his neighbour's wife, neither hath come near to a menstruous woman, and hath not oppressed any, but hath restored to the debtor his pledge, hath spoiled none by violence, hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment: he that hath not given forth upon usury, neither hath taken any increase, that hath withdrawn his hand from iniquity, hath executed true judgment between man and man, hath walked in My statutes, and hath kept My judgments, to deal truly; he is just, he shall surely live, saith the Lord God. If he beget a son that is a robber, a shedder of blood, and that doeth the like to any one of these things, and that doeth not any of those duties: shall he then live? he shall not live: he hath done all these abominations; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon him. Now, lo, if he beget a son, that seeth all his father's sins which he hath done, and considereth, and doeth not such like, hath executed My judgments, hath walked in My statutes; he shall not die for the iniquity of his father, he shall surely live. As for his father, because he cruelly oppressed, spoiled his brother by violence, and did that which is not good among his people, lo, even he shall die in his iniquity. Yet, say ye, Why? doth not the son bear the iniquity of the father? When the son hath done that which is lawful and right, and hath kept all My statutes, and hath done them, he shall surely live, saith the Lord almighty.

GRADUAL. Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of an eye: hide me under the shadow of Thy wings. ℣. Let my sentence come forth from Thy presence: and let Thine eyes look upon the thing that is equal. *Ps.* xvii. 8.

GOSPEL. *St. John* viii. 31.

JESUS said to those Jews which believed on Him: If ye continue in My word, then are ye My disciples indeed: and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. They answered Him: We be Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest Thou, Ye shall be made free? Jesus answered

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them: Verily, verily, I say unto you: Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever. If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed. I know that ye are Abraham's seed: but ye seek to kill Me, because My word hath no place in you. I speak that which I have seen with My Father: and ye do that which ye have seen with your father. They answered and said unto Him: Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them: If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham. But now ye seek to kill Me: a Man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham. Ye do the deeds of your father. Then said they to Him: We be not born of fornication; we have one Father, even God. Jesus said unto them: If God were your Father, ye would love Me: for I proceeded forth and came from God: neither came I of Myself, but He sent Me. Why do ye not understand My speech? even because ye cannot hear My word. Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He murderer from the , and abode not in because there is no him. When he a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. And because I tell you the truth, ye believe Me not. Which of you convinceth Me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe Me? He that is of God heareth God's words.

OFFERTORY. The Angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them: O taste and see how gracious the Lord is. *Ps.* xxxiv. 7.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord: that the sacrifices which are appointed during this wholesome fast, may more securely further our salvation. Through.

COMMUNION. The Bread that I will give is My Flesh: which I will give for the life of the world. *St. John* vi. 52.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE pray Thee, O Lord, through the abundance of Thy gifts, that Thou wouldest both raise us up by temporal supports, and renew us with those that are everlasting. Through.

PRAYER.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to Thy Christian people: that they may know those things which they profess, and also love the heavenly gift to which they frequently draw near. Through.

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Ember Friday.

INTROIT. *De necessitatibus.*

BRING Thou me out of my troubles, O Lord: look upon my adversity and misery, and forgive me all my sin. *Ps.* xxv. 16, 17.

PSALM. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul: my God, I have put my trust in Thee, O let me not be confounded (*v.* 1). Glory. Bring Thou me.

COLLECT.

BE favourable, O Lord, unto Thy people: and as Thou makest them to be devoutly given to serve Thee, so of Thy tender mercy do Thou cherish and defend them. Through.

LESSON. *Ezekiel* xviii. 20.

THUS saith the Lord God: The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him. But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all My statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die. All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live. Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord God: and not that he should return from his ways, and live? But, when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die. Yet ye say: The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not My way equal? are not your ways unequal? When a righteous man turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die. Again, when the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die, saith the Lord Almighty.

GRADUAL. My God, save Thy servant: that putteth his trust in Thee. ℣. Give ear, Lord: unto my prayer. *Ps.* lxxxvi. 2.

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GOSPEL. *St John* v. 1.

AFTER this there was a feast of the Jews; and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep market a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches. In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water. For an Angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had. And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years. When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case, He saith unto him: Wilt thou be made whole? The impotent man answered Him: Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me. Jesus saith unto him: Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked: and on the same day was the sabbath. The Jews therefore said unto him that was cured: It is the sabbath day: it is not lawful for thee to carry thy bed. He answered them: He that made me whole, the Same said unto me: Take up thy bed, and walk. Then asked they him: What man is that which said unto thee, Take up thy bed, and walk? And he that was healed wist not who it was: for Jesus had conveyed Himself away, a multitude being in that place. Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him: Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee. The man departed, and told the Jews that it was Jesus, Which had made him whole.

OFFERTORY. Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Who maketh thee young and lusty as an eagle. *Ps.* ciii. 2.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, accept our offerings and our humble service: and with Thy favour vouchsafe to sanctify these Thy Gifts. Through.

COMMUNION. All mine enemies shall be confounded, and sore vexed: they shall be turned back, and put to shame suddenly. *Ps.* vi. 10.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the working of this Mystery, O Lord, purge us from our sins: and also fulfil all our righteous desires. Through.

PRAYER.

GRACIOUSLY hear us, O merciful God: and shew to our minds the light of Thy grace. Through.

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Ember Saturday.

INTROIT. *Introit oratio.*

O LET my prayer enter into Thy presence: incline Thine ear unto my calling, O Lord. *Ps.* lxxxviii. 1.

PSALM. O Lord God of my salvation: I have cried day and night before Thee (*v.* 1). Glory. O let.

COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably to regard Thy people: and graciously turn away from them the scourge of Thy wrath. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *Thess.* v. 14.

WE exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feeble-minded, support the weak, be patient toward all men. See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men. Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesyings. Prove all things: hold fast that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

TRACT. O praise the Lord, all ye heathen: praise Him, all ye nations. ℣. For His merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. *Ps.* cxvii.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xvii. 1.

JESUS taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into a high mountain apart, and was transfigured before them: and His face did shine as the sun, and His raiment was white as the light. And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with Him. Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus: Lord, it is good for us to be here: if Thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for Thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. While he yet spake, behold a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said: This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased: hear ye Him. And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid. And Jesus came and touched them, and said: Arise, and be not afraid. And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only. And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying: Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of Man be risen again from the dead.

OFFERTORY. O Lord God

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of my salvation, I have cried day and night before Thee: O let my prayer enter into Thy presence, O Lord. *Ps.* lxxxviii. 1.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that these present oblations may hallow our fasting: that what by our outward observance we do profess, may inwardly be wrought in us. Through.

COMMUNION. O Lord my God, in Thee have I put my trust: save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me. *Ps.* vii. 1.

POSTCOMMUNION.

DEFEND, O Lord, with Thy continual protection, those whom Thou dost refresh by this divine Mystery: and may Thy saving comfort ever attend and follow us, whom Thou hast imbued with heavenly ordinances. Through.

PRAYER.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thy longed-for blessing strengthen and confirm Thy faithful: and so cause them never to swerve from Thy holy will, and evermore bestow upon them the joy of Thy goodness. Through.

Second Sunday in Lent.

INTROIT. *Reminiscere.*

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COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *Thess.* iv. 1.

WE beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk, and to please God, so ye would abound more and more. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication; that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God; that no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter; because that the Lord is the Avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you, and testified. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. He therefore that despiseth despiseth not man, but God, Who hath also given unto us His Holy Spirit.

GRADUAL. The sorrows of my heart are enlarged: O

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bring Thou me out of my troubles, O Lord. ℣. Look upon my adversity and misery: and forgive me all my sin. *Ps.* xxv. 17.

TRACT. The Lord said unto the woman of Canaan: It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs. ℣. And she said: Truth, Lord, yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their master's table. ℣. Jesus said unto her: O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. *St. Matt.* xv. 26.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xv. 21.

JESUS went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto Him, saying: Have mercy on me, O Lord, Thou Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and besought Him, saying: Send her away; for she crieth after us. But He answered and said: I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Then came she and worshipped Him, saying: Lord, help me. But He answered and said: It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs. And she said: Truth, Lord; yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their master's table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her: O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. My delight shall be in Thy commandments, which I have loved: my hands also will I lift up unto Thy commandments, which I have loved. *Ps.* cxix. 47.

SECRET.

GRACIOUSLY accept, O Lord, from Thy Church, these Gifts, which of Thy mercy Thou hast given unto her to offer: and which Thou makest of Thy power to become the Mystery of our salvation. Through.

COMMUNION. Consider my meditation: O hearken Thou unto the voice of my calling, my King, and my God: for unto Thee will I make my prayer, O Lord. *Ps.* v. 2.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the grace of that most holy Body and Blood, which we have received, quicken us: and grant; that those things which by the celebrating of holy Mysteries we are promised, may be given unto us in their everlasting fruits. Through.

Monday after Reminiscere

INTROIT. *Redime me.*

DELIVER me, O Lord, and be merciful unto

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me: my foot standeth right, I will praise the Lord in the congregations. *Ps.* xxvi. 11.

PSALM. Be Thou my Judge, O Lord, for I have walked innocently: my trust hath been also in the Lord, therefore I shall not fall (*v.* 1). Glory. Deliver.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that as we Thy family by outward abstinence do mortify the flesh, so by following after righteousness we may also fast from sin. Through.

LESSON. *Daniel* ix. 15.

DANIEL prayed, and said: O Lord our God, That hast brought Thy people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast gotten Thee renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly. O Lord, according to all Thy righteousness, I beseech Thee, let Thine anger and Thy fury be turned away from Thy city Jerusalem, Thy holy mountain: because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and Thy people are become a reproach to all that are about us. Now, therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of Thy servant, and his supplications, and cause Thy face to shine upon Thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake. O my God, incline Thine ear, and hear; open Thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by Thy Name: for we do not present our supplications before Thee for our righteousnesses, but for Thy great mercies. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for Thine own sake, O my God: for Thy city and Thy people are called by Thy Name.

GRADUAL. Thou art my helper, and my redeemer, O Lord: make no long tarrying. ℣. Let mine enemies be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul. *Ps.* lxx. 5.

TRACT. *As on Ash Wednesday, page* 183.

GOSPEL. *St. John* viii. 21.

THEN said Jesus unto the Jews: I go My way, and ye shall seek Me, and shall die in your sins: whither I go, ye cannot come. Then said the Jews: Will He kill Himself? because He saith, Whither I go, ye cannot come. And He said unto them: Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world. I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am He, ye shall die in your sins. Then said they unto Him: Who art thou? And Jesus saith unto them: Even the same that I said unto you from the beginning. I have many things to say and to judge of

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you: but He that sent Me is true; and I speak to the world those things which I have heard of Him. They understood not that He spake to them of the Father. Then said Jesus unto them: When ye have lifted up the Son of Man, then shall ye know that I am He, and that I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father hath taught Me, I speak these things. And He that sent Me is with Me: the Father hath not left Me alone; for I do always those things that please Him.

OFFERTORY. I will thank the Lord for giving me warning: I have set God always before me, for He is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall. *Ps.* xvi. 8.

SECRET.

O LORD, let this Sacrifice of propitiation and praise make us worthy of Thy favour and forgiveness. Through.

COMMUNION. O Lord our Governour, how excellent is Thy Name in all the world. *Ps.* viii. 1.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, let this Communion cleanse us from all sin, and make us partakers of the heavenly remedy. Through.

PRAYER.

BE present, O almighty God, at our supplications and prayers: and mercifully grant; that those to whom Thou affordest certainty in hoping for Thy loving-kindness, may experience the effect of Thine accustomed mercy. Through.

Tuesday aft. Reminiscere

INTROIT. *Tibi dixit.*

MY heart hath talked of Thee; seek ye My face: Thy face, Lord, will I seek; O hide not Thou Thy face from me. *Ps.* xxvii. 9.

PSALM. The Lord is my light: and my salvation, whom then shall I fear? (*v.* 1). Glory. My heart.

COLLECT.

GRANT us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the full advantage of this holy season: that by Thy working we may fulfil those things, which of Thy holy inspiration we perceive we ought to do. Through.

LESSON. 1 *Kings* xvii. 8.

THE word of the Lord came unto Elijah, saying: Arise, get thee to Zarephath, which belongeth to Zidon, and dwell there: behold I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee. So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, the widow woman was there gathering of sticks: and he called to her, and said: Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink. And as she was going to fetch it, he called to her, and said:

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Bring me, I pray thee a morsel of bread in thine hand. And she said: As the Lord thy God liveth, I have not a cake, but an handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse: and, behold, I am gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and die. And Elijah said unto her: Fear not; go and do as thou hast said: but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son. For thus saith the Lord God of Israel: The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day that the Lord sendeth rain upon the earth. And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat many days. And the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord, which He spake by Elijah.

GRADUAL. O cast thy burden upon the Lord: and He shall nourish thee. ℣. When I called unto the Lord, He heard my voice, from the battle that was against me. *Ps.* lv. 23.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxiii. 1.

THEN spake Jesus to the multitude, and to His disciples, saying: The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat: all therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, that observe and do; but do not ye after their works: for they say, and do not. For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers. But all their works they do for to be seen of men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments, and love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi. But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren. And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, Which is in heaven. Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, even Christ. But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant. And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.

OFFERTORY. Have mercy upon me, O Lord, after Thy great goodness: O Lord, do away mine offences. *Ps.* li. 1.

SECRET.

DO Thou, O Lord, in Thy forgiveness work in us Thy sanctification by these holy Mysteries: that we may thereby be cleansed from earthly faults, and at length

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be brought to the enjoyment of Thy heavenly gifts. Through.

COMMUNION. I will speak of all Thy marvellous works: I will be glad and rejoice in Thee; yea, my songs will I make of Thy Name, O Thou most Highest. *Ps.* ix. 2.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let That which we have received from Thy holy Altar be to us the healing medicine both of mind and body: that we who are strengthened by the partaking of such a remedy, may never be oppressed by any adversities. Through.

PRAYER.

BE favourable, O Lord, to these our supplications, and heal the weakness of our souls: that, having received remission of our sins, we may evermore rejoice in Thy blessing. Through.

Wednesday after Reminiscere.

INTROIT. *Ne derelinquas.*

FORSAKE me not, O Lord my God; be not Thou far from me: haste Thee to help me, O Lord God of my salvation. *Ps.* xxxviii. 21.

PSALM. Put me not to rebuke, O Lord, in Thine anger: neither chasten me in Thy heavy displeasure (*v.* 1). Glory. Forsake.

COLLECT.

LOOK mercifully, O Lord, we beseech Thee upon Thy people: and as Thou commandest them to abstain from carnal food, so grant unto them also to cease from all hurtful sins. Through.

LESSON. *Esther* xiii. 8.

THEN Mardocheus thought upon all the works of the Lord, and made his prayer unto Him, saying: O Lord, Lord, the King Almighty: for the whole world is in Thy power, and if Thou hast appointed to save Israel, there is no man that can gainsay Thee: for Thou hast made heaven and earth, and all the wondrous things under the heaven. Thou art Lord of all things, and there is no man that can resist Thee, Which art the Lord. And now, O Lord God and King, spare Thy people: for their eyes are upon us to bring us to nought: yea, they desire to destroy the inheritance, that hath been Thine from the beginning. Despise not the portion, which Thou hast delivered out of Egypt for Thine own self. Hear my prayer, and be merciful unto Thine inheritance: turn our sorrow into joy, that we may live, O Lord, and praise Thy Name: and destroy not the mouths of Them that praise Thee, O Lord.

GRADUAL. O save Thy people, O Lord: and give

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Thy blessing unto Thine inheritance. ℣. Unto Thee will I cry, O Lord: O my God, think no scorn of me, lest I become like them that go down into the pit. *Ps.* xxviii. 10.

TRACT. *As on Ember Wednesday, page* 197.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xx. 17.

AND Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them: Behold, we go up to Jerusalem: and the Son of Man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn Him to death, and shall deliver Him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify Him: and the third day He shall rise again. Then came to Him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping Him, and desiring a certain thing of Him. And He said unto her: What wilt thou? She saith unto Him: Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on Thy right hand, and the other on the left, in Thy kingdom. But Jesus answered and said: Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto Him: We are able. And He saith unto them: ye shall drink indeed of My cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on My right hand, and on My left, is not Mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of My Father. And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren. But Jesus called them unto Him, and said: Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: even as the Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many.

OFFERTORY. Turn Thee unto me, and have mercy upon me, O Lord: O keep my soul, and deliver me; let me not be confounded, for I have put my trust in Thee. *Ps.* xxv. 17.

SECRET.

LOOK favourably, O Lord, upon the offerings which we make before Thee: and through this sacred communion do Thou loose the bands of our sins. Through.

COMMUNION. The righteous Lord loveth righteousness: His countenance will

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behold the thing that is just. *Ps.* xi. 8.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the off-times with which we receive this holy Mystery profit us: that being purged from the oldness of our state, we may ever go on to increase in the newness of our nature, which Thou hast given us. Through.

PRAYER.

O GOD, Who art the lover and restorer of innocence, direct unto Thyself the hearts of us Thy servants: that being inflamed by Thy Holy Spirit, they may be found steadfast in faith, and zealous in good works. Through.

Thursday after Reminiscere.

INTROIT. *Deus in adjutorium.*

HASTE Thee, O God, to deliver me, make haste, to help me, O Lord: let mine enemies be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul. *Ps.* lxx. 1.

PSALM. Let them be turned backward and put to confusion: that wish me evil (*v.* 2). Glory. Haste.

COLLECT.

GRANT us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the help of Thy heavenly grace: that we being duly given to fasting and prayer, may be delivered from all enemies both of soul and body. Through.

LESSON. *Jeremiah* xvii. 5.

THUS saith the Lord: Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord. For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited. Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit. The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the Lord search the heart: I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.

GRADUAL. Be merciful, O Lord, unto our sins: wherefore do the heathen say: Where is now their God? ℣. Help us, O God of our salvation: for the glory of Thy Name, O Lord, deliver us. *Ps.* lxxxix. 9.

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GOSPEL. *St. John* v. 30.

JESUS said unto the Jews: I can of Mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and My judgment is just; because I seek not Mine own will, but the will of the Father Which hath sent Me. If I bear witness of Myself, My witness is not true. There is another that beareth witness of Me; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of Me is true. Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth. But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that ye might be saved. He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in His light. But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works which the Father hath given Me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of Me, that the Father hath sent Me. And the Father Himself, which hath sent Me, hath borne witness of Me. Ye have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His shape. And ye have not His word abiding in you: for Whom He hath sent, Him ye believe not. Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of Me. And ye will not come to Me, that ye might have life. I receive not honour from men. But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you. I am come in My Father's Name, and ye receive Me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from God only? Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed Me: for he wrote of Me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe My words?

OFFERTORY. Moses besought the Lord his God, and said: Why, O Lord, doth Thy wrath wax hot against Thy people? turn from Thy fierce wrath; remember Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to whom Thou swarest to give a land flowing with milk and honey; and the Lord repented of the evil which He thought to do unto His people. *Ex.* xxxii.

SECRET.

O GOD, forasmuch as many and divers sacrifices are ended, we now offer unto Thee this one and only Victim: mercifully regard the prayer, which Thou hast inspired us to make; and grant us who put our trust in Thee, that both our desires may be fulfilled, and our sins be blotted out. Through.

COMMUNION. He that eateth My Flesh, and drinketh

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My Blood: dwelleth in Me, and I in him. *St. John* vi. 56.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET Thy grace, O Lord, we beseech Thee never forsake us: but both make us to be given to Thy holy service, and also ever obtain for us the help of Thy bounty, and defend us from all adversities. Through.

PRAYER.

REGARD, O Lord, Thy servants, and bestow upon them that ask Thy continual loving-kindness: that as they do glory in Thee their Creator and Governour, so Thou wouldest restore unto them the fulness of all things, and preserve what Thou dost restore. Through.

Friday after Reminiscere

INTROIT. *Ego autem.*

BUT as for me, I will behold Thy presence in righteousness: and when I awake up after Thy likeness, I shall be satisfied with it. *Ps.* xvii. 16.

PSALM. Hear the right, O Lord: consider my complaint (*v.* 1). Glory. But as.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we being cleansed by the hallowing fast, may by Thee be enabled to come with pure minds to the holy festival which is drawing nigh. Through.

LESSON. *Genesis* xxxvii. 5.

JOSEPH dreamed a dream, and he said unto his brethren: Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed: For, behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf. And his brethren said to him: Shalt thou indeed reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words. And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said: Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me. And he told it to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said unto him: What is this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and thy brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth? And his brethren envied him; but his father observed the saying. And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shechem. And Israel said unto Joseph: Do not thy brethren feed the flock in Shechem? come, and I will send thee unto them. And he said to him: Here am I. And he said to him: Go, I pray thee, see whether it be well with

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thy brethren, and well with the flocks; and bring me word again. So he sent him out of the vale of Hebron, and he came to Shechem. And a certain man found him, and, behold, he was wandering in the field: and the man asked him, saying: What seekest thou? And he said: I seek my brethren: tell me, I pray thee, where they feed their flocks. And the man said: They are departed hence; for I heard them say, Let us go to Dothan. And Joseph went after his brethren, and found them in Dothan. And when they saw him afar off, even before he came near unto them, they conspired against him to slay him. And they said one to another: Behold this dreamer cometh. Come now therefore, and let us slay him, and cast him into some pit, and we will say, some evil beast hath devoured him: and we shall see what will become of his dreams. And Reuben heard it, and he delivered him out of their hands; and said: Let us not kill him. And Reuben said unto them: Shed no blood, but cast him into this pit that is in the wilderness, and lay no hand upon him; that he might rid him out of their hands, to deliver him to his father again.

GRADUAL. When I was in trouble I called upon the Lord: and He heard me. ℣. Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips: and from a deceitful tongue. *Ps.* cxx. 1, 2.

TRACT. *The same as on Ash-Wednesday, page* 183.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxi. 33.

JESUS said: Hear another parable: There was a certain householder, which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country: and when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits of it. And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another. Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they did unto them likewise. But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying: They will reverence my son. But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves: This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance. And they caught him, and cast him out of the vineyard, and slew him. When the lord therefore of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen? They say unto him; He will miserably destroy those wicked men, and will let out his vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render him the fruits in their seasons. Jesus saith

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unto them: Did ye never read in the scriptures: The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes? Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof. And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder. And when the chief priests and Pharisees had heard His parables, they perceived that He spake of them. But when they sought to lay hands on Him, they feared the multitude, because they took Him for a prophet.

OFFERTORY. Make haste, O Lord, to help me: let them be ashamed and confounded together, that seek after my soul to destroy it. *Ps.* xl. 17.

SECRET.

O LORD God, let the virtue of this holy sacrifice continually abide within us, and be strengthened and increased by good works. Through.

COMMUNION. Thou shalt keep us, O Lord: Thou shalt preserve us from this generation for ever. *Ps.* xii. 8.

POSTCOMMUNION.

MAKE us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, who have received the pledge of everlasting salvation, so to live agreeably thereto, that we may finally attain unto the same. Through.

PRAYER.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to Thy people, health both of body and mind: that they cleaving unto good works, may ever be defended by Thy mighty protection. Through.

Saturday after Reminiscere.

INTROIT. *Lex Domini.*

THE law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple. *Ps.* xix. 7.

PSALM. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth His handy-work (*v.* 1). Glory. The law.

COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that our fasts may have a wholesome effect upon us: that the chastisement which we practise in the flesh, may avail to the increase and strengthening of our souls. Through.

LESSON. *Genesis* xxvii. 6.

AND Rebekah spake unto Jacob her son, saying: Behold, I heard thy father speak unto Esau thy brother, saying: Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless

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thee before the Lord before my death. Now, therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command thee. Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats; and I will make them savoury meat for thy father, such as he loveth: and thou shalt bring it to thy father, that he may eat, and that he may bless thee before his death. And Jacob said to Rebekah, his mother: Behold, Esau my brother is a hairy man, and I am a smooth man: my father peradventure will feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver: and I shall bring a curse upon me, and not a blessing. And his mother said unto him: Upon me be thy curse, my son: only obey my voice, and go fetch me them. And he went, and fetched, and brought them to his mother: and his mother made savoury meat, such as his father loved. And Rebekah took goodly raiment of her eldest son Esau, which were with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son: and she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth of his neck: and she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob. And he came unto his father, and said: My father: and he said: Here am I; who art thou, my son? And Jacob said unto his father: I am Esau thy firstborn; I have done according as thou badest me: arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me. And Isaac said unto his son: How is it that thou hast found it so quickly, my son? And he said: Because the Lord thy God brought it to me. And Isaac said unto Jacob: Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou be my very son Esau or not. And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father; and he felt him and said: The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau. And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands: so he blessed him. And he said: Art thou my very son Esau? And he said: I am. And he said: Bring it near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless thee. And he brought it near to him, and he did eat: and he brought him wine, and he drank. And his father Isaac said unto him: Come near now, and kiss me, my son. And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him, and said: See, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field which the Lord hath blessed: therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine:

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let people serve thee, and nations bow down to thee: be lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee: cursed be every one that curseth thee, and blessed be he that blesseth thee. And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau, his brother came in from his hunting. And he also had made savoury meat, and brought it unto his father and said unto his father: Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison, that thy soul may bless me. And Isaac his father said unto him: Who art thou? And he said, I am thy son, thy firstborn Esau. And Isaac trembled very exceedingly, and said: Who? where is he that hath taken venison, and brought it me, and I have eaten of all before thou camest, and have blessed him? yea, and he shall be blessed. And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceeding bitter cry, and said unto his father: Bless me, even me also, O my father. And he said: Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away thy blessing. And he said: Is not he rightly named Jacob? for he hath supplanted me these two times: he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken away my blessing. And he said: Hast thou not reserved a blessing for me? And Isaac answered and said unto Esau: Behold, I have made him thy lord, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants: and with corn and wine have I sustained him: and what shall I do now unto thee, my son? And Esau s id unto his father: Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, even me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept. And Isaac his father answered and said unto him: Behold, thy dwelling shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above.

GRADUAL. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord: and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O most Highest. ℣. To tell of Thy loving-kindness early in the morning: and of Thy truth in the night-season. *Ps.* xcii. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xv. 11.

JESUS said: A certain man had two sons: And the younger of them said to his father: Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living. And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living. And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land: and he began to be in want. And he went

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and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him. And when he came to himself, he said: How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants. And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him. And the son said unto him: Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. But the father said to his servants: Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him: and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet: And bring hither the fatted calf and kill it; and let us eat and be merry: for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry. Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard musick and dancing. And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant. And he said unto him: Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him safe and sound. And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and intreated him. And he answering, said to his father: Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment; and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends: but as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf. And he said unto him: Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine. It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.

OFFERTORY. Lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death: lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him. *Ps.* xiii. 3.

SECRET.

MERCIFULLY grant, O Lord, by these Sacrifices: that we, who pray to be absolved from our own offences, may not be afflicted by those of others. Through.

COMMUNION. It was meet, my son, that we should be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again;

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and was lost and is found. *St. Luke* xv. 32.

POSTCOMMUNION.

MAY the heavenly taste of this Thy Sacrament, O Lord, reach unto the innermost recesses of our hearts: and so effectually make us partakers of its virtues. Through.

PRAYER.

GUARD, O Lord, we beseech Thee, Thy family with Thy continual pity: that as we do lean only upon the hope of Thy heavenly grace, so we may be defended by Thy heavenly protection. Through.

Third Sunday in Lent.

INTROIT. *Oculi.*

MINE eyes are ever looking unto the Lord, for He shall pluck my feet out of the net: turn Thee unto me, and have mercy upon me, for I am desolate and in misery. *Ps.* xxv. 14.

PSALM. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul: my God, I have put my trust in Thee, O let me not be confounded (*v.* 1). Glory. Mine eyes.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of Thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of Thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies. Through.

EPISTLE. *Ephesians* v. 1.

BE ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named amongst you, as becometh saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish-talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient; but rather giving of thanks: for this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ, and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them: for ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light; for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, and righteousness, and truth; proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them: for it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. But all things that are reproved are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith:

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Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

GRADUAL. Up, Lord, and let not man have the upper hand: let the heathen be judged in Thy sight. ℣. While mine enemies are driven back: they shall fall and perish at Thy presence. *Ps.* ix. 19.

TRACT. Unto Thee lift I up mine eyes: O Thou that dwellest in the heavens. ℣. Behold, even as the eyes of servants: look unto the hand of their masters. ℣. And as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress: even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until He have mercy upon us. ℣. Have mercy upon us, O Lord: have mercy upon us. *Ps.* cxxiii. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xi. 14.

JESUS was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered. But some of them said: He casteth out devils through Beelzebub, the chief of the devils. And others, tempting Him, sought of Him a sign from heaven. But He, knowing their thoughts, said unto them: Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house divided against a house falleth. If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say, that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your judges. But if I with the finger of God, cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you. When a strong man armed, keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace; but when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils. He that is not with Me is against Me; and he that gathereth not with Me scattereth. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith: I will return unto my house whence I came out. And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth he and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. And it came to pass, as He spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto Him: Blessed is the womb that bare Thee, and the paps which Thou hast sucked. But He said: Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The statutes

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of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart : sweeter also than honey and the honey-comb : moreover, by them is Thy servant taught. *Ps.* xix. 8.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to accept the devout gifts of Thy servants : and of Thy loving-kindness cleanse them that serve Thee, by these divine Mysteries, whereby Thou dost also justify them that sin in ignorance. Through.

COMMUNION. The sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young : even Thy altars, O Lord of Hosts, my King and my God : blessed are they that dwell in Thy house : they will be alway praising Thee. *Ps.* lxxxiv. 3.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, mercifully to deliver us Thy servants from all guilt and danger : whom Thou dost grant to be partakers of such mighty Mysteries. Through.

Monday after Oculi.

INTROIT. *In Deo.*

IN God's word will I rejoice : in the Lord's word will I comfort me : yea, in God have I put my trust, I will not fear what man can do unto me. *Ps.* lvi. 11.

PSALM. Be merciful unto me, O God, for man goeth about to devour me : he is daily fighting and troubling me (*v.* 1). Glory. In God's word.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, mercifully to pour Thy grace into our hearts : that like as we do abstain from fleshly food, so we may refrain our senses from all hurtful excesses. Through.

LESSON. 2 *Kings* v. 1.

NAAMAN, captain of the host of the King of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honourable, because by him the Lord had given deliverance unto Syria : he was also a mighty man in valour, but he was a leper. And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid ; and she waited on Naaman's wife. And she said unto her mistress : Would God my lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria ! for he would recover him of his leprosy. And one went in, and told his lord, saying : Thus and thus said the maid that is of the land of Israel. And the king of Syria said : Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and took with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand pieces of gold, and ten changes of raiment. And he brought the

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letter to the king of Israel, saying: Now when this letter is come unto thee, behold, I have therewith sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy. And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said: Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrel against me. And it was so, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying: Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel. So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha. And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying: Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean. But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said: Behold, I thought, he will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the Lord his God, and strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper. Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage. And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said: My father, if the prophet had bid thee do some great thing wouldest thou not have done it? how much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash, and be clean? Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean. And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came and stood before him: and he said: Behold, now I know that there is no God in all the earth, but in Israel.

GRADUAL. Thou, O God, tellest my flittings: put my tears into Thy bottle. ℣. Be merciful unto me, O God, for man goeth about to devour me: he is daily fighting, and troubling me. *Ps.* lvi. 8.

TRACT. *As on Ash Wednesday, page* 183.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* iv. 23.

JESUS said unto the Jews: Ye will surely say unto Me this proverb, Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in Thy country. And He said: Verily I say unto you, No prophet is accepted in his own country. But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel

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in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land; but unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, a city of Sidon, unto a woman that was a widow. And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian. And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath, and rose up, and thrust Him out of the city, and led Him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast Him down headlong. But He passing through the midst of them went His way.

OFFERTORY. Hear my prayer, O God, and hide not Thyself from my petition: take heed unto me, and hear me. *Ps.* lv. 1.

SECRET.

GRANT, O Lord, that the gift which of our service we offer unto Thee, may become to us the Sacrament of our salvation. Through.

COMMUNION. Who shall give salvation unto Israel out of Sion: when the Lord turneth the captivity of His people, then shall Jacob rejoice, and Israel shall be glad. *Ps.* xiv. 11.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty and merciful God, that what we take with our mouth, we may receive with a pure mind. Through.

PRAYER.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thy mercy help us: that, by Thy protection, we may be set free from the dangers which for our sins are hanging over us, and by Thy deliverance we may be saved. Through.

Tuesday after Oculi.

INTROIT. *Ego clamavi.*

I HAVE called upon Thee, O God, for Thou shalt hear me; incline Thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words: keep me, O Lord, as the apple of an eye, hide me under the shadow of Thy wings. *Ps.* xvii. 6.

PSALM. Hear the right, O Lord: consider my complaint. (*v.* 1). Glory. I have called.

COLLECT.

HEAR us, O almighty and merciful God: and of Thy favour grant us the gift of saving continence. Through.

LESSON. 2 *Kings* iv. 1.

NOW there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying: Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear the Lord: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen. And Elisha said

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unto her: What shall I do for thee? tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said: Thine handmaid hath not anything in the house, save a pot of oil. Then he said: Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours, even empty vessels; borrow not a few. And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full. So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured out. And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son: Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her: There is not a vessel more. And the oil stayed. Then she came and told the man of God. And he said: Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest.

GRADUAL. Cleanse Thou me, O Lord, from my secret faults: keep Thy servant from presumptuous sins. ℣. Lest they get the dominion over me: so shall I be undefiled, and innocent from the great offence. *Ps.* xix. 12.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xviii. 15.

JESUS said: If thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican. Verily I say unto you: Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again I say unto you: That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there am I in the midst of them. Then came Peter to Him, and said: Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him: I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven.

OFFERTORY. The right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass; the right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence; I shall not die, but live; and declare the works of the Lord. *Ps.* cxviii. 16.

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SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the effect of our redemption come to us by these Sacraments: so that it may ever lead us from all human excess, and bring us to those things which are profitable to our salvation. Through.

COMMUNION. Lord, who shall dwell in Thy tabernacle, or who shall rest upon Thy holy hill? even he, that leadeth an uncorrupt life, and doeth the thing which is right. *Ps.* xv. 1.

POSTCOMMUNION.

BEING cleansed, O Lord, by these holy Mysteries, let us, we beseech Thee, obtain Thy pardon and grace. Through.

PRAYER.

DEFEND us, O Lord, by Thy protection, and keep us evermore from all iniquity. Through.

Wednesday after Oculi.

INTROIT. *Ego autem.*

MY trust hath been in the Lord: I will be glad, and rejoice in Thy mercy, for Thou hast regarded my trouble. *Ps.* xxxi. 7.

PSALM. In Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion: deliver me in Thy righteousness (*v.* 1). Glory. My trust.

COLLECT.

GRANT to us, we beseech Thee, O Lord: that we, being disciplined by healthful fasts, and abstaining from all hurtful vices, may obtain more readily Thy gracious favour. Through.

LESSON. *Exodus* xx. 12.

THUS saith the Lord God: Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbour's. And all the people saw the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw it, they removed, and stood afar off. And they said unto Moses: Speak thou with us, and we will hear: but let not God speak with us, lest we die. And Moses said unto the people: Fear not: for God is come to prove you, and that His fear may be before your faces, that ye sin not. And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near unto the thick darkness where God was. And the Lord said unto Moses: Thus thou shalt say unto the children of Israel:

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Ye have seen that I have talked with you from heaven. Ye shall not make with Me gods of silver, neither shall ye make unto you gods of gold. An altar of earth thou shalt make unto Me, and shalt sacrifice thereon thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and thine oxen: in all places where I record My Name.

GRADUAL. Have mercy upon me, O Lord: for I am weak, O Lord, heal me. ℣. My bones are vexed: my soul also is sore troubled. *Ps.* vi. 2.

TRACT *as on Ember Wednesday, page* 197.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xv. 1.

THEN came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying: Why do Thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread. But He answered and said unto them: Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition? For God commanded, saying: Honour thy father and mother: and, He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death. But ye say: Whosoever shall say to his father or his mother, It is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; and honour not his father or his mother, he shall be free. Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition. Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying: This people draweth nigh unto Me with their mouth, and honoureth Me with their lips; but their heart is far from Me. But in vain do they worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. And He called the multitude, and said unto them: Hear and understand: not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man. Then came His disciples, and said unto Him: Knowest Thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying? But He answered and said: Every plant, which My heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up. Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch. Then answered Peter and said unto Him: Declare unto us this parable. And Jesus said: Are ye also yet without understanding? Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false wit-

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ness, blasphemies: these are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.

OFFERTORY. Deal Thou with me, O Lord God, according unto Thy Name: for sweet is Thy mercy. *Ps.* cix. 20.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the prayers and sacrifices of Thy people: and defend us, who celebrate Thy holy Mysteries, from all dangers. Through.

COMMUNION. Thou shalt shew me the path of life: in Thy presence, O Lord, is the fulness of joy. *Ps.* xvi. 12.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the heavenly table from which we have been fed sanctify us: that we being cleansed from all errors may be made worthy to receive Thy heavenly promises. Through.

PRAYER.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we who seek the favour of Thy protection; may be set free from all evils, and serve Thee with a quiet mind. Through.

Thursday after Oculi.

INTROIT. *Salus populi.*

I AM the salvation of My people, saith the Lord: in whatsoever tribulation they shall call Me, I will hear them, and will be their Lord for ever.

PSALM. Hear My law, O My people: incline your ears unto the words of My mouth. (lxxviii. 1.) Glory. I am.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that our devout observance of the fast may both cleanse us, and make us acceptable to Thy divine Majesty. Through.

LESSON. *Jeremiah* vii. 1.

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying: Stand in the gate of the Lord's house, and proclaim there this word, and say: Hear the word of the Lord, all ye of Judah, that enter in at these gates to worship the Lord. Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place. Trust ye not in lying words, saying: The temple of the Lord, The temple of the Lord, The temple of the Lord, are these. For if ye throughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye throughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbour: if ye oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other gods to your hurt: then will I cause you to dwell in this

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place, in the land that I gave to your fathers, for ever and ever.

GRADUAL. The eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord: and Thou givest them their meat in due season. ℣. Thou openest Thine hand: and fillest all things living with plenteousness. *Ps.* cxlv. 15.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 27.

JESUS said: Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of Man shall give unto you: for Him hath God the Father sealed. Then said they unto Him: What shall we do, that we might work the works of God? Jesus answered, and said unto them: This is the work of God, that ye believe in Him whom He hath sent. They said therefore unto Him: What sign shewest Thou then, that we may see, and believe Thee? what dost Thou work? Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written: He gave them bread from heaven to eat. Then Jesus said unto them: Verily, verily, I say unto you: Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but My Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is He which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world. Then said they unto Him: Lord, evermore give us this bread. And Jesus said unto them: I am the bread of life: he that cometh to Me shall never hunger: and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst.

OFFERTORY. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt Thou refresh me, O Lord: Thou shalt stretch forth Thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and Thy right hand shall save me. *Ps.* cxxxviii. 7.

SECRET.

MAKE us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, with pure minds, to approach Thy holy Mysteries: that we may alway offer unto Thee an acceptable service. Through.

COMMUNION. Thou hast charged, that we shall diligently keep Thy commandments: O that my ways were made so direct, that I might keep Thy statutes. *Ps.* cxix. 4.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the reverent receiving of Thy Sacrament, O Lord, both cleanse us by its mysterious effect, and ever defend us by its abiding power. Through.

PRAYER.

LET Thy heavenly favour, we beseech Thee, O Lord, enlarge Thy people, that serveth Thee: and make them to be ever obedient to Thy commandments. Through.

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Friday after Oculi.

INTROIT. *Fac mecum.*

SHEW some token upon me, O Lord, for good, that they who hate me may see it, and be ashamed: because Thou, Lord, hast holpen me, and comforted me. *Ps.* lxxxvi. 17.

PSALM. Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor, and in misery (*v.* 1). Glory. Shew.

COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, assist our fasts with Thy gracious power: that like as we do abstain from food outwardly in our bodies, so we may also fast from sin inwardly in our souls. Through.

LESSON. *Numbers* xx. 2.

AND there was no water for the congregation: and the children of Israel gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and chode with Moses, and spake, saying: Would God that we had died when our brethren died before the Lord! And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and they fell upon their faces: and the glory of the Lord appeared unto them. And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying: Take the rod, and gather thou the assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his water, and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the congregation and their beasts drink. And Moses took the rod from before the Lord, as He commanded him. And Moses and Aaron gathered the congregation together before the rock, and he said unto them: Hear now, ye rebels; must we fetch you water out of this rock? And Moses lifted up his hand, and with his rod he smote the rock twice: and the water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their beasts also. And the Lord spake unto Moses and Aaron: Because ye believed Me not, to sanctify Me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this congregation into the land which I have given them. This is the water of Meribah; because the children of Israel strove with the Lord, and He was sanctified in them.

GRADUAL. My heart hath trusted in God, and I am helped: therefore my heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise Him. ℣. Unto Thee will I cry, O Lord: my God, think no scorn of me, nor depart from me. *Ps.* xxviii. 7.

TRACT. *As on Ash Wednesday, page* 183.

GOSPEL. *St. John* iv. 5.

THEN cometh Jesus to a city of Samaria, which

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is called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with His journey, sat thus on the well: and it was about the sixth hour. There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her: Give Me to drink. For His disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat. Then saith the woman of Samaria unto Him: How is it that Thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans. Jesus answered and said unto her: If thou knewest the gift of God, and Who it is that saith to thee: Give Me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of Him, and He would have given thee living water. The woman saith unto Him: Sir, Thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast Thou that living water? Art Thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle? Jesus answered and said unto her: Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again: but whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life. The woman saith unto Him: Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not, neither come hither to draw. Jesus saith unto her: Go, call thy husband, and come hither. The woman answered and said: I have no husband. Jesus said unto her: Thou hast well said, I have no husband: for thou hast had five husbands; and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband: in that saidst thou truly. The woman saith unto Him: Sir, I perceive that Thou art a prophet. Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship. Jesus saith unto her: Woman, believe Me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. Ye worship ye know not what; we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship Him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth. The woman saith unto Him: I know that Messias cometh, which is called Christ: when He is come, He will tell us all things. Jesus saith unto her: I that speak unto thee am He. And upon this came His disciples, and marvelled that He talked with the wo-

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man: yet no man said: What seekest Thou? or, Why talkest Thou with her? The woman then left her waterpot, and went her way into the city, and saith to the men: Come, see a man, which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ? Then they went out of the city, and came unto Him. In the mean while His disciples prayed Him, saying: Master, eat. But He said unto them: I have meat to eat that ye know not of. Therefore said the disciples one to another: Hath any man brought Him ought to eat? Jesus saith unto them: My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work. Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you: Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together. And herein is that saying true: One soweth, and another reapeth. I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour: other men laboured, and ye are entered into their labours. And many of the Samaritans of that city believed on Him for the saying of the woman, which testified: He told me all that ever I did. So when the Samaritans were come unto Him, they besought Him that He would tarry with them: and He abode there two days. And many more believed because of His own word; and said unto the woman: Now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard Him ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world.

OFFERTORY. O hearken Thou unto the voice of my calling, my King, and my God: for unto Thee will I make my prayer, O Lord. *Ps.* v. 2.

SECRET.

LOOK, O Lord, we beseech Thee, favourably upon the gifts which we consecrate: so that they may be acceptable to Thee, and ever be profitable to our salvation. Through.

COMMUNION. Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him, saith the Lord to the woman of Samaria: shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life. *St. John* iv. 14.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the Sacrament, O Lord, which we have received both cleanse us from sin, and bring us to the kingdom of heaven. Through.

PRAYER.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we who do put our trust in Thy

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protection, may by Thy help overcome all things that oppose us. Through.

Saturday after Oculi.

INTROIT. *Verba mea.*

PONDER my words, O Lord: consider my meditation; O hearken Thou unto the voice of my calling. *Ps.* v. 1.

PSALM. My King and my God (*v.* 2). Glory. Ponder.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we who for the mortifying of the body do abstain from food, may also fast from sin by following after righteousness. Through.

LESSON. *Hist. of Susanna.*

THERE dwelt a man in Babylon, called Joacim: and he took a wife, whose name was Susanna, the daughter of Chelcias, a very fair woman, and one that feared the Lord. Her parents also were righteous, and taught their daughter according to the law of Moses. Now Joacim was a great rich man, and had a fair garden joining unto his house: and to him resorted the Jews; because he was more honourable than all others. The same year were appointed two of the ancients of the people to be judges, such as the Lord spake of, that wickedness came from Babylon from ancient judges, who seemed to govern the people. These kept much at Joacim's house: and all that had any suits in law came unto them. Now when the people departed away at noon, Susanna went into her husband's garden to walk. And the two elders saw her going in every day, and walking; so that their lust was inflamed toward her. And they perverted their own mind, and turned away their eyes, that they might not look unto heaven, nor remember just judgments. And it fell out, as they watched a fit time, she went in as before with two maids only, and she was desirous to wash herself in the garden: for it was hot. And there was no body there save the two elders, that had hid themselves, and watched her. Then she said to her maids: Bring me oil and washing balls, and shut the garden doors, that I may wash me. Now when the maids were gone forth, the two elders rose up, and ran unto her, saying: Behold, the garden doors are shut, that no man can see us, and we are in love with thee; therefore consent unto us, and lie with us. If thou wilt not, we will bear witness against thee, that a young man was with thee: and therefore thou didst send away thy maids from thee. Then Susanna sighed, and said: I am straitened on every side: for if I do this thing, it is death unto me:

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and if I do it not, I cannot escape your hands. It is better for me to fall into your hands and not do it, than to sin in the sight of the Lord. With that Susanna cried with a loud voice: and the two elders cried out against her. Then ran the one, and opened the garden door. So when the servants of the house heard the cry in the garden, they rushed in at a privy door, to see what was done unto her. But when the elders had declared their matter, the servants were greatly ashamed: for there was never such a report made of Susanna. And it came to pass the next day, when the people were assembled to her husband Joacim, the two elders came also full of mischievous imagination against Susanna to put her to death; and said before the people: Send for Susanna, the daughter of Chelcias, Joacim's wife. And so they sent. So she came with her father and mother, her children, and all her kindred. Therefore her friends and all that saw her wept. Then the two elders stood up in the midst of the people, and laid their hands upon her head. And she weeping looked up toward heaven: for her heart trusted in the Lord. And the elders said: As we walked in the garden alone, this woman came in with two maids, and shut the garden doors, and sent the maids away. Then a young man, who there was hid, came unto her, and lay with her. Then we that stood in a corner of the garden, seeing this wickedness, ran unto them. And when we saw them together, the man we could not hold: for he was stronger than we, and opened the door, and leaped out. But having taken this woman, we asked who the young man was, but she would not tell us: these things do we testify. Then the assembly believed them, as those that were the elders and judges of the people: so they condemned her to death. Then Susanna cried out with a loud voice, and said: O everlasting God, that knowest the secrets, and knowest all things before they be: Thou knowest that they have borne false witness against me, and, behold, I must die: whereas I never did such things as these men have maliciously invented against me. And the Lord heard her voice. Therefore when she was led to be put to death, the Lord raised up the holy spirit of a young youth, whose name was Daniel: who cried with a loud voice: I am clear from the blood of this woman. Then all the people turned them toward him, and said: What mean these words that thou hast spoken? So he standing in the midst of them said: Are ye such fools, ye sons of Israel, that without examina-

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tion or knowledge of the truth ye have condemned a daughter of Israel? Return again to the place of judgment: for they have borne false witness against her. Wherefore all the people turned again in haste, and the elders said unto him: Come, sit down among us, and shew it us, seeing God hath given thee the honour of an elder. Then said Daniel unto them: Put these two aside, one far from another, and I will examine them. So when they were put asunder one from another, he called one of them, and said unto him: O thou that art waxen old in wickedness, now thy sins which thou hast committed aforetime are come to light: for thou hast pronounced false judgment, and hast condemned the innocent, and hast let the guilty go free; albeit the Lord saith: The innocent and the righteous shalt thou not slay. Now then, if thou hast seen her, tell me: Under what tree sawest thou them companying together? Who answered: Under a mastick tree. And Daniel said: Very well; thou hast lied against thine own head; for even now the angel of God hath received the sentence of God to cut thee in two. So he put him aside, and commanded to bring the other, and said unto him: O thou seed of Chanaan, and not of Juda, beauty hath deceived thee, and lust hath perverted thine heart. Thus have ye dealt with the daughters of Israel, and they for fear companied with you: but the daughter of Juda would not abide your wickedness. Now therefore tell me: Under what tree didst thou take them companying together? Who answered: Under an holm tree. Then said Daniel unto him: Well; thou hast also lied against thine own head: for the angel of God waiteth with the sword to cut thee in two, that he may destroy you. With that all the assembly cried out with a loud voice, and praised God, Who saveth them that trust in Him. And they arose against the two elders, for Daniel had convicted them of false witness by their own mouth: and they did unto them in such sort as they maliciously intended to do to their neighbour: and they put them to death. Thus the innocent blood was saved the same day.

GRADUAL. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death: I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me, O Lord. ℣. Thy rod and Thy staff: comfort me. *Ps.* xxiii. 4.

GOSPEL. *St. John* viii. 1.

JESUS went unto the mount of Olives. And early in the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people came unto Him: and

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He sat down, and taught them. And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto Him a woman taken in adultery: and when they had set her in the midst, they say unto Him: Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act. Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest Thou? This they said, tempting Him, that they might have to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down, and with His finger wrote on the ground, as though He heard them not. So when they continued asking Him, He lifted up Himself, and said unto them: He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her. And again He stooped down, and wrote on the ground. And they which heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, even unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. When Jesus had lifted up Himself, and saw none but the woman, He said unto her: Woman, where are those, thine accusers? hath no man condemned Thee? She said: No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her: Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.

OFFERTORY. Order my steps, O Lord, in Thy word: so shall no wickedness have dominion over me. *Ps.* cxix. 133.

SECRET.

LET this Sacrifice, O Lord, we beseech Thee, be made pleasing by our solemn fast: and that it may become more acceptable in Thy sight, grant that it may be offered with pure minds. Through.

COMMUNION. Woman, hath no man condemned thee? No man, Lord. Neither do I condemn thee: sin no more. *St. John.* viii. 10.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, almighty God, that we may be reckoned among the members of Him, of Whose Body and Blood we have now partaken, Thy Son Jesus Christ, our Lord. Who liveth. Through.

PRAYER.

STRETCH forth, O Lord, to Thy faithful people the right hand of Thine heavenly aid: that they may seek Thee with their whole heart, and so obtain those things for which they worthily ask. Through.

Midlent Sunday.

INTROIT. *Lætare.*

REJOICE, O Jerusalem, and be glad with her all ye that love her: rejoice for joy with her, all ye that mourn for her; that ye may exult, and be satisfied with the breasts of her consolations. *Isa.* lxvi. 10.

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PSALM. I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord (cxxii. 1). Glory. Rejoice.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Thy grace may mercifully be relieved. Through.

EPISTLE. *Galatians* iv. 21.

TELL me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bond-maid, the other by a free-woman. But he who was of the bond-woman was born after the flesh; but he of the free-woman was by promise. Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But Jerusalem which is above is free; which is the mother of us all. For it is written: Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband. Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit; even so it is now. Nevertheless, what saith the Scripture? Cast out the bond-woman and her son; for the son of the bond-woman shall not be heir with the son of the free-woman. So then, brethren, we are not children of the bond-woman, but of the free.

GRADUAL. I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord. ℣. Peace be within thy walls: and plenteousness within thy palaces. *Ps.* cxxii.

TRACT. They that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the Mount Sion: which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever. ℣. The hills stand about Jerusalem: even so standeth the Lord round about His people, from this time forth for evermore. *Ps.* cxxv. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 1.

JESUS went over the sea of Galilee, which is the sea of Tiberias. And a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His miracles which He did on them that were diseased. And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there He sat with His disciples. And the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh. When Jesus then lift up His eyes, and saw a great company come unto Him, He saith unto Philip: Whence shall we buy bread, that these

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may eat? And this He said to prove him; for He Himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him: Two hundred penyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto Him: There is a lad here, which hath five barley-loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? And Jesus said: Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks, He distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. When they were filled, He said unto His disciples: Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley-loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said: This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious: O sing praises unto His Name, for it is lovely: whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did He in heaven, and in earth. *Ps.* cxxxv. 3.

SECRET.

GRANT to us, O Lord, we beseech Thee: to be ever occupied with the divine and solemn service of Thy worship; and so be fitted alike in body and mind for Thy holy Mysteries. Through.

COMMUNION. Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity in itself: for thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord. *Ps.* cxxii. 3, 4.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O MERCIFUL God, grant unto us, we beseech Thee: that these Thy Holy Things, wherewith we are continually fed; we may alway celebrate with unfeigned service, and ever receive with a faithful mind. Through.

Monday after Lætare.

INTROIT. *Deus, in Nomine.*

SAVE me, O God, for Thy Name's sake: and avenge me in Thy strength; hear my prayer, O God. *Ps.* liv. 1.

PSALM. For strangers are risen up against me: and tyrants seek after my soul (*v.* 3). Glory. Save me.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we, who year by year devoutly

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observe the sacred seasons, may please Thee both in body and mind. Through.

LESSON. 2 *Kings* iii. 16.

THEN came there two women, that were harlots, unto king Solomon, and stood before him. And the one woman said: O my lord, I and this woman dwell in one house; and I was delivered of a child with her in the house. And it came to pass the third day after that I was delivered, that this woman was delivered also: and we were together; there was no stranger with us in the house, save we two in the house. And this woman's child died in the night; because she overlaid it. And she arose at midnight, and took my son from beside me, while thine handmaid slept, and laid it in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom. And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, behold, it was dead: but when I had considered it in the morning, behold, it was not my son, which I did bear. And the other woman said: Nay; but the living is my son, and the dead is thy son. And this said: No; but the dead is thy son, and the living is my son. Thus they spake before the king. Then said the king: The one saith: This is my son that liveth, and thy son is the dead: and the other saith: Nay; but thy son is the dead, and my son is the living. And the king said: Bring me a sword. And they brought a sword before the king. And the king said: Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other. Then spake the woman whose the living child was unto the king, for her bowels yearned upon her son, and she said: O my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said: Let it be neither mine nor thine, but divide it. Then the king answered and said: Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: she is the mother thereof. And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had judged; and they feared the king: for they saw that the wisdom of God was in him, to do judgment.

GRADUAL. Be Thou my strong rock, O God, and house of defence: that Thou mayest save me. ℣. In Thee, O God, have I put my trust: O Lord, let me never be put to confusion. *Ps.* xxxi. 3.

TRACT. *Same as on Ash Wednesday, page* 183.

GOSPEL. *St. John* ii. 13.

AND the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting: and when He had made a scourge of small

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cords, He drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; and said unto them that sold doves: Take these things hence; make not My Father's house an house of merchandise. And His disciples remembered that it was written: The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up. Then answered the Jews and said unto Him: What sign shewest Thou unto us, seeing that Thou doest these things? Jesus answered and said unto them: Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. Then said the Jews: Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt Thou rear it up in three days? But He spake of the temple of His body. When therefore He was risen from the dead, His disciples remembered that He had said this unto Them: and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said. Now when He was in Jerusalem at the passover, in the feast day, many believed in His Name, when they saw the miracles which He did. But Jesus did not commit Himself unto them, because He knew all men, and needed not that any should testify of man: for He knew what was in man.

OFFERTORY. O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before His presence with a song, be ye sure that the Lord He is God. *Ps.* c. 1.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, so to work in us by Thy Mysteries: that we may offer unto Thee these gifts with minds worthy of Thy service. Through.

COMMUNION. Cleanse me, O Lord, from my secret faults: and keep Thy servant from presumptuous sins. *Ps.* xix. 12.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, sustain with Thy help and protection those whom Thou renewest with Thy divine Sacraments: and as Thou dost refresh them with temporal benefits, so be pleased to feed them with those that are everlasting. Through.

PRAYER.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, graciously hear our supplication: and as Thou hast given us an hearty desire to pray, so grant us the help of Thy defence. Through.

Tuesday after Lætare.

INTROIT. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR my prayer, O God: and hide not Thyself from my petition, take heed unto me, and hear me. *Ps.* lv. 1.

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PSALM. I mourn in my prayer: and am vexed, the enemy crieth so (*v.* 2). Glory. Hear.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord: that the solemn fast which we observe; may both avail to the increase of a holy conversation, and also may gain for us the help of Thy continual favour. Through.

LESSON. *Exodus* xxxii. 7.

AND the Lord said unto Moses: Go, get thee down; for thy people, which thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves: they have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said: These be thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And the Lord said unto Moses: I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiffnecked people: now therefore let Me alone, that My wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them: and I will make of thee a great nation. And Moses besought the Lord his God, and said: Lord, why doth Thy wrath wax hot against Thy people, which Thou hast brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power, and with a mighty hand? Wherefore should the Egyptians speak, and say: For mischief did He bring them out, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth? Turn from Thy fierce wrath, and repent of this evil against Thy people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, Thy servants, to whom Thou swarest by Thine own self, and saidst unto them: I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it for ever. And the Lord repented of the evil which He thought to do unto His people.

GRADUAL. Arise, O Lord, and help us: and deliver us for Thy mercy's sake. ℣. We have heard with our ears, O God: our fathers have told us, what Thou hast done in their time of old. *Ps.* xliv. 26.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vii. 14.

NOW about the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the temple, and taught. And the Jews marvelled, saying: How knoweth this man letters, having never learned? Jesus answered them, and said: My doctrine is not Mine, but His that sent Me. If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of Myself. He that speaketh of himself

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seeketh his own glory: but He that seeketh His glory that sent Him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in Him. Did not Moses give you the law, and yet none of you keepeth the law? Why go ye about to kill Me? The people answered and said: Thou hast a devil: who goeth about to kill Thee? Jesus answered and said unto them: I have done one work, and ye all marvel. Moses therefore gave unto you circumcision; not because it is of Moses, but of the fathers; and ye on the sabbath day circumcise a man. If a man on the sabbath day receive circumcision, that the law of Moses should not be broken; are ye angry at Me, because I have made a man every whit whole on the sabbath day? Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment. Then said some of them of Jerusalem: Is not this He whom they seek to kill? But, lo, He speaketh boldly, and they say nothing unto Him. Do the rulers know indeed that this is the very Christ? Howbeit we know this Man whence He is: but when Christ cometh no man knoweth whence He is. Then cried Jesus in the temple as He taught, saying: Ye both know Me, and ye know whence I am: and I am not come of Myself, but He that sent Me is true, Whom ye know not. But I know Him: for I am from Him, and He hath sent Me. Then they sought to take Him: but no man laid hands on Him, because His hour was not yet come. And many of the people believed on Him.

OFFERTORY. I waited patiently for the Lord, and He inclined unto me: and heard my calling, and He hath put a new song in my mouth, even a thanksgiving unto our God. *Ps.* xl. i.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, favourably to look upon the offerings of Thy faithful people: that as they are presented with the devout worship and service of Thy humble servants, so they may of Thee be favourably accepted. Through.

COMMUNION. We will rejoice in Thy Salvation: and triumph in the Name of the Lord our God. *Ps.* xx. 5.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord: let the holy Food and saving Drink so profit us; that it may defend us in this transitory life, as well as bestow upon us that which is eternal. Through.

PRAYER.

BE merciful, O Lord, we beseech Thee, to Thy people: and of Thy pity grant relief unto us who are wearied with continual troubles. Through.

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Wednesday after Lætare.

INTROIT. *Cum sanctificatus.*

WHEN I shall be sanctified in you, I will gather you out of all countries: then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean from all your filthiness, and a new spirit will I put within you. *Ezech.* xxxvi. 23.

PSALM. I will alway give thanks unto the Lord: His praise shall ever be in my mouth (xxxiv. 1). Glory. When I shall be.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost vouchsafe both to the righteous the rewards of their well-doing, and also by fasting forgiveness to sinners: have mercy upon us Thy humble servants; that the confession of our guilt may avail towards the obtaining for us the pardon of our sins. Through.

LESSON. *Isaiah* i. 16.

THUS saith the Lord God: Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before Mine eyes: cease to do evil; learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow. Come now, and let us reason together saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. If ye be willing, and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land, for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

GRADUAL. Blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord: and blessed are the folk, that He hath chosen to Him to be His inheritance. ℣. By the Word of the Lord were the heavens made: and all the hosts of them by the breath of His mouth. *Ps.* xxxiii. 12.

TRACT. *As on Ash Wednesday, page* 183.

GOSPEL. *St. John* ix. 1.

AND as Jesus passed by, He saw a man which was blind from his birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying: Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind? Jesus answered: Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him. I must work the works of Him that sent Me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. When He had thus spoken, He spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay, and said unto him: Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, which is by interpretation, Sent. He went his way therefore, and

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washed, and came seeing. The neighbours therefore, and they which before had seen him that he was blind, said: Is not this he that sat and begged? Some said: This is he: others said: He is like him: but he said: I am he. Therefore said they unto him: How were thine eyes opened? He answered and said: A man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said unto me: Go to the pool of Siloam, and wash: and I went and washed, and I received sight. Then said they unto him: Where is he? He said: I know not. They brought to the Pharisees him that aforetime was blind. And it was the sabbath day when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes. Then again the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. He said unto them: He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see. Therefore said some of the Pharisees: This man is not of God, because he keepeth not the sabbath day. Others said: How can a man that is a sinner do such miracles? And there was a division among them. They said unto the blind man again: What sayest thou of him, that he hath opened thine eyes? He said: He is a prophet. But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind, and received his sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight. And they asked them, saying: Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? how then doth he now see? His parents answered them and said: We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind: but by what means he now seeth, we know not; or who hath opened his eyes, we know not: he is of age; ask him: he shall speak for himself. These words spake his parents, because they feared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue. Therefore said his parents: He is of age; ask him. Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him: Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner. He answered and said: Whether He be a sinner or no, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see. Then said they to him again: What did He to thee? how opened He thine eyes? He answered them: I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear it again? will ye also be His disciples? Then they reviled him, and said: Thou art His disciple; but we are Moses' disciples. We know that God spake unto Moses: as for this fellow, we know not from whence He is. The man answered and said unto them:

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Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not from whence He is, and yet He hath opened mine eyes. Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth His will, him He heareth. Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind. If this man were not of God, he could do nothing. They answered and said unto him: Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said unto him: Dost thou believe on the Son of God? He answered and said: Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him? And Jesus said unto him: Thou hast both seen Him, and it is He that talketh with thee. And he said: Lord, I believe. And he worshipped Him.

OFFERTORY. O praise our God, ye people: and make the voice of His praise to be heard, Who holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to slip: praised be God, Who hath not cast out my prayer, nor turned His mercy from me. *Ps.* lxvi. 7.

SECRET.

WE humbly entreat Thee, almighty God: that our sins may be cleansed by these Sacrifices; forasmuch as Thou dost thus bestow upon us true health both of body and mind. Through.

COMMUNION. The Lord made clay of the spittle, and anointed mine eyes: and I went and washed, and received sight, and believed in God. *St. John* ix. 11.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the Sacraments, O Lord our God, which we have taken, both fill our souls with spiritual nourishment, as well as help and defend our bodies. Through.

PRAYER.

LET Thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Thy humble servants: and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please Thee. Through.

Thursday after Lætare.

INTROIT. *Lætetur cor.*

LET the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord: seek the Lord, and His strength, seek His face evermore. *Ps.* cv. 3.

PSALM. O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon His Name: tell the people what things He hath done (*v.* 1). Glory. Let the heart.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we who do mortify our bodies by the appointed fast, may also be gladdened by a holy devotion; that our own

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earthly affection being subdued, we may more readily embrace heavenly things. Through.

LESSON. 2 *Kings* iv. 25.

SO the Shunammite went and came unto the man of God to mount Carmel. And it came to pass, when the man of God saw her afar off, that he said to Gehazi his servant: Behold, yonder is that Shunammite: run now, I pray thee, to meet her, and say unto her: Is it well with thee? is it well with thy husband? is it well with the child? And she answered: It is well. And when she came to the man of God to the hill, she caught him by the feet: but Gehazi came near to thrust her away. And the man of God said: Let her alone; for her soul is vexed within her: and the Lord hath hid it from me, and hath not told me. Then she said: Did I desire a son of my lord? did I not say: Do not deceive me? Then he said to Gehazi: Gird up thy loins, and take my staff in thine hand, and go thy way: if thou meet any man, salute him not; and if any salute thee, answer him not again: and lay my staff upon the face of the child. And the mother of the child said: As the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And he arose, and followed her. And Gehazi passed on before them, and laid the staff upon the face of the child; but there was neither voice, nor hearing. Wherefore he went again to meet him, and told him, saying: The child is not awaked. And when Elisha was come into the house, behold, the child was dead, and laid upon his bed. He went in therefore, and shut the door upon them twain, and prayed unto the Lord. And he went up, and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands: and he stretched himself upon the child; and the flesh of the child waxed warm. Then he returned, and walked in the house to and fro; and went up, and stretched himself upon him: and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes. And he called Gehazi, and said: Call this Shunammite. So he called her. And when she was come in unto him, he said: Take up thy son. Then she went in, and fell at his feet, and bowed herself to the ground, and took up her son, and went out. And Elisha came again to Gilgal.

GRADUAL. Look, O Lord, upon the covenant: and forget not the congregation of the poor for ever. ℣. Arise, O God, maintain Thine own cause: remember the reproach that Thy servants have. *Ps.* lxxiv. 21.

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GOSPEL. *St. John* v. 17.

JESUS answered the Jews: My Father worketh hitherto, and I work. Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill Him, because He not only had broken the sabbath, but said also that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God. Then answered Jesus and said unto them: Verily, verily, I say unto you: The Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He seeth the Father do: for what things soever He doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise. For the Father loveth the Son, and sheweth Him all things that Himself doeth: and He will shew Him greater works than these, that ye may marvel. For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth them; even so the Son quickeneth whom He will. For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son: that all men should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent Him. Verily, verily, I say unto you: He that heareth My word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. Verily, verily, I say unto you: The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. For as the Father hath life in Himself: so hath He given to the Son to have life in Himself: and hath given Him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of Man. Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

OFFERTORY. Make haste, O Lord, to help me: let them be confounded together that wish me evil. *Ps.* xl. 16.

SECRET.

PURIFY us, O merciful God: that the prayers of Thy Church, which are alway pleasing unto Thee, when offered with holy gifts; may become still more pleasing in Thy sight, because offered with purified minds. Through.

COMMUNION. O Lord, I will make mention of Thy righteousness only; O God, Thou hast taught me from my youth up until now, forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am grayheaded. *Ps.* lxxi. 14.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, suffer not that Thy heavenly gifts, which Thou hast provided for the saving remedy of Thy faithful people,

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to turn to the judgment of those who have received them. Through.

PRAYER.

O GOD, Who art the Ruler and Teacher of Thy people: drive away from them the sins whereby they are assaulted; that they may be well-pleasing unto Thee, and ever in safety under Thy protection. Through.

Friday after Lætare.

INTROIT. *Meditatio.*

LET the meditation of my heart be alway acceptable in Thy sight: O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer. *Ps.* xix. 14.

PSALM. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth His handy-work (*v.* 1). Glory. Let the meditation.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost renew the world by the unspeakable grace of Thy Sacraments: grant, we beseech Thee; that Thy Church may both profit unto everlasting life by those things which Thou hast ordained, and also may not be destitute of Thine aid in this time present. Through.

LESSON. 1 *Kings* xvii. 17.

AND it came to pass after these things, that the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick: and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him. And she said unto Elijah: What have I to do with thee, O thou man of God? art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and to slay my son? And he said unto her: Give me thy son. And he took him out of her bosom, and carried him up into a loft, where he abode, and laid him upon his own bed. And he cried unto the Lord, and said: O Lord, my God, hast Thou brought evil upon the widow, with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son? And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the Lord, and said: O Lord my God, I pray thee, let this child's soul come into him again. And the Lord heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived. And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and delivered him unto his mother: and Elijah said: See thy son liveth. And the woman said to Elijah: Now by this I know that thou art a man of God, and that the word of the Lord in thy mouth is truth.

GRADUAL. It is better to trust in the Lord: than to put any confidence in man. ℣. It is better to trust in the Lord: than to put any confidence in princes. *Ps.* cxviii. 8.

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GOSPEL. *St. John* xi. 1.

NOW a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha. It was that Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped His feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick. Therefore his sisters sent unto Him, saying: Lord, behold he whom Thou lovest is sick. When Jesus heard that, He said: This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby. Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus. When He had heard therefore that he was sick, He abode two days still in the same place where He was. Then after that saith He to to His disciples: Let us go into Judæa again. His disciples say unto Him: Master, the Jews of late sought to stone Thee; and goest Thou thither again? Jesus answered: Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world. But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him. These things said He: and after that He saith unto them: Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go that I may awake him out of sleep. Then said His disciples: Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well. Howbeit Jesus spake of his death: but they thought that he had spoken of taking rest in sleep. Then said Jesus unto them plainly: Lazarus is dead. And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe: nevertheless let us go unto him. Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellow disciples: Let us also go, that we may die with him. Then when Jesus came, He found that he had lain in the grave four days already. Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off: and many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother. Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met Him: but Mary sat still in the house. Then said Martha unto Jesus: Lord, if Thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. But I know that even now, whatsoever Thou wilt ask of God, God will give it Thee. Jesus saith unto her: Thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith unto Him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said unto her: I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. Believest thou this? She saith unto Him:

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Yea, Lord: I believe that Thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world. And when she had so said, she went her way, and called her sister secretly, saying: The Master is come, and calleth for Thee. As soon as she heard that, she arose quickly, and came unto Him. Now Jesus was not yet come into the town, but was in that place where Martha met Him. The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying: She goeth unto the grave to weep there. Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw Him, she fell down at His feet, saying unto Him: Lord, if Thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, He groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, and said: Where have ye laid him? They said unto Him: Lord, come and see. Jesus wept. Then said the Jews: Behold how He loved him! And some of them said: Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died? Jesus therefore again groaning in Himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it. Jesus said: Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto Him: Lord, by this time he stinketh, for he hath been dead four days. Jesus saith unto her: Said I not unto thee, that if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God? Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up His eyes, and said: Father, I thank Thee that Thou hast heard Me. And I knew that Thou hearest Me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe Thou hast sent Me. And when He thus had spoken, He cried with a loud voice: Lazarus, come forth. And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with grave-clothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them: Loose him, and let him go. Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on Him.

OFFERTORY. Thou shalt save the people, O Lord, that are in adversity: and shalt bring down the high looks of the proud; for who is God, but Thee, O Lord? *Ps.* xviii. 27.

SECRET.

LET the gifts, O Lord, we beseech Thee, which we offer, purify and cleanse us: and make Thee alway to be favourable unto us. Through.

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seeing the sisters of Lazarus weeping at the grave: wept before the Jews, and cried: Lazarus, come forth; and he came forth bound hand and foot with grave clothes, who had been dead four days.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the partaking of this Sacrament, continually set us free from the guilt of our offences, and also defend us from all adversities. Through.

PRAYER.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we, who knowing our own weakness, do put our trust in Thy loving-kindness, may evermore rejoice under Thy protection. Through.

Saturday after Lætare.

INTROIT. *Sitientes.*

HO, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, saith the Lord: and he that hath no money; come ye and drink with joyfulness. *Is.* lv. 1.

PSALM. Hear My law, O My people: incline your ears unto the words of My mouth (lxxviii. 1). Glory. Ho, every one.

COLLECT.

LET, O Lord, we beseech Thee, our devout affections become fruitful by Thy grace: forasmuch as our fasting which we have undertaken shall then profit us, if it be accepted of Thy loving-kindness. Through.

LESSON. *Isaiah* xlix. 8.

THUS saith the Lord: In an acceptable time have I heard thee, and in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, to establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages; that thou mayest say to the prisoners: Go forth; to them that are in darkness: Shew yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures shall be in all high places. They shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun smite them: for He that hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by the springs of water shall He guide them. And I will make all My mountains a way, and My highways shall be exalted. Behold, these shall come from far: and, lo, these from the north and from the west, and these from the land of Sinim. Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the Lord hath comforted His people, and will have mercy upon His afflicted. But Sion said: The Lord hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me. Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will

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I not forget thee, saith the Lord almighty.

GRADUAL. The poor committeth himself unto Thee, O Lord: for Thou art the helper of the friendless. ℣. Why standest Thou so far off, O Lord: and hidest Thy face in the needful time of trouble; the ungodly for his own lust doth persecute the poor. *Ps.* x. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. John* viii. 12.

THEN spake Jesus saying: I am the light of the world: he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. The Pharisees therefore said unto Him: Thou bearest record of Thyself; Thy record is not true. Jesus answered and said unto them: Though I bear record of Myself, yet my record is true: for I know whence I came, and whither I go; but ye cannot tell whence I come, and whither I go. Ye judge after the flesh; I judge no man. And yet if I judge, My judgment is true: for I am not alone, but I and the Father that sent Me. It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true. I am one that bear witness of Myself, and the Father that sent Me beareth witness of me. Then said they unto Him: Where is Thy Father? Jesus answered: Ye neither know Me nor My Father: if ye had known Me, ye should have known My Father also. These words spake Jesus in the treasury, as He taught in the temple: and no man laid hands on Him; for His hour was not yet come.

OFFERTORY. The Lord is my stony rock and my defence: my Saviour, in Whom I will trust. *Ps.* xviii. 1.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, be favourable and gracious unto us, while accepting these our oblations: and of Thy mercy subdue also our rebellious wills unto Thyself. Through.

COMMUNION. The Lord is my Shepherd, therefore can I lack nothing: He shall feed me in a green pasture, and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort. *Ps.* xxiii. 1.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thy holy Mysteries which we have taken cleanse us: and by the healing remedy which they work within us, make us well pleasing in Thy sight. Through.

PRAYER.

O GOD, Who choosest rather to show mercy than to be angry with them that hope in Thee: grant us worthily to bewail the evil that we have done, that so we may find the comfort of Thy grace. Through.

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Passion Sunday.

INTROIT. *Judica.*

GIVE sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people: O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man: for Thou art the God of my strength. *Ps.* xliii. 1.

PSALM. O send out Thy light and Thy truth, that they may lead me: and bring me unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy dwelling (*v.* 3). Give sentence.

¶ *The* ℣. Glory, *is not said in the Introit of the week-day Mass until Easter.*

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, almighty God, mercifully to look upon Thy people: that by Thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul. Through.

¶ *From this day until Maundy Thursday exclusively the Collect* Against the adversaries of the Church, *see* Divers Collects, *is said after the Collect for the day.*

EPISTLE. *Hebrews* ix. 11.

CHRIST being come an High Priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands; that is to say, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats and calves; but by His own blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh; how much more shall the Blood of Christ, Who, through the eternal Spirit, offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this cause He is the Mediator of the New Testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

GRADUAL. Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: teach me to do the thing that pleaseth Thee. ℣. It is the Lord that delivereth me from my cruel enemies: and setteth me up above mine adversaries: Thou shalt rid me from the wicked man. *Ps.* cxliii. 9; xviii. 49.

TRACT. Many a time have they fought against me: from my youth up. ℣. May Israel now say: yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up. ℣. But they have not prevailed against me: the plowers plowed upon my back. ℣. And made long furrows: but the righteous Lord hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in pieces. *Ps.* cxxix. 1.

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GOSPEL. *St. John* viii. 46.

JESUS said: Which of you convinceth Me of sin? and if I say the truth, why do ye not believe Me? He that is of God heareth God's words; ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God. Then answered the Jews, and said unto Him: Say we not well, that Thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil? Jesus answered: I have not a devil; but I honour My Father, and ye do dishonour Me. And I seek not Mine own glory; there is One That seeketh and judgeth. Verily, verily, I say unto you: If a man keep My saying, he shall never see death. Then said the Jews unto Him: Now we know that Thou hast a devil: Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and Thou sayest: If a man keep My saying, he shall never taste of death. Art Thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead: whom makest Thou Thyself? Jesus answered: If I honour Myself, My honour is nothing; it is My Father that honoureth Me, of Whom ye say, that He is your God; yet ye have not known Him; but I know Him: and if I should say, I know Him not, I shall be a liar like unto you; but I know Him, and keep His saying. Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it, and was glad. Then said the Jews unto Him: Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast Thou seen Abraham? Jesus said unto them: Verily, verily, I say unto you, before Abraham was, I am. Then took they up stones to cast at Him: but Jesus hid Himself, and went out of the temple. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. I will give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart: O do well unto Thy servant, that I may live, and keep Thy word: quicken Thou me, according to Thy word, O Lord. *Ps.* cxix. 10.

SECRET.

O ALMIGHTY God, favourably behold the oblations of Thy faithful people: and grant; that they may never be held in bondage, by the chains of the world, whom Thou hast willed to make altogether free by the Passion of Thy Son; Who liveth.

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COMMUNION. This is My Body which is broken for you: this Cup is the New Testament in My Blood, saith the Lord: this do ye, as oft as ye drink It, in remembrance of Me. 1 *Cor.* xi. 24.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God, to be present with us: and defend with Thy

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continual protection those whom Thou hast refreshed by Thy Holy Mysteries. Through.

Monday after Judica.

INTROIT. *Miserere mihi.*

BE merciful unto me, O Lord, for man goeth about to devour me: he is daily fighting and troubling me. *Ps.* lvi. 1.

PSALM. Mine enemies are daily in hand to swallow me up: for they be many that fight against me (*v.* 2). Be merciful.

COLLECT.

SANCTIFY, O Lord, we beseech Thee, our fast: and mercifully grant us forgiveness of all our faults. Through.

LESSON. *Jonah* iii. 1.

AND the word of the Lord came unto Jonah the second time, saying: Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee. So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceeding great city of three days' journey. And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said: Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown. So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them. For word came unto the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered him with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. And he caused it to be proclaimed and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying: Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drink water: but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that is in their hands. Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from His fierce anger, that we perish not? And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil, that He had said that he would do unto them; and He did it not.

GRADUAL. Hear my prayer, O God: and hearken unto the words of my mouth. ℣. Save me, O God, for Thy Name's sake: and avenge me in Thy strength. *Ps.* liv. 1.

TRACT *as on Ash Wednesday, page* 183.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vii. 32.

THE Pharisees and the chief priests sent officers to take Jesus. Then said Jesus unto them: Yet a little while am I with you, and

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then I go unto Him that sent Me. Ye shall seek Me, and shall not find Me: and where I am, thither ye cannot come. Then said the Jews among themselves: Whither will He go, that we shall not find Him? will He go unto the dispersed among the Gentiles, and teach the Gentiles? What manner of saying is this that He said: Ye shall seek me, and shall not find me: and where I am, thither ye cannot come? In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying: If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink. He that believeth on Me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. But this spake He of the Spirit, which they that believe on Him should receive.

OFFERTORY. Turn Thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul: O save me for Thy mercy's sake. *Ps.* vi. 4.

SECRET.

WE offer Thee, O Lord, the sacrifice of praise for Thy help and protection which we have received: grant, we beseech Thee; that we may still more truly and freely take of those things of which Thou wouldest have us partake. Through.

COMMUNION. The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory. *Ps.* xxiv. 10.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord: let the healthful partaking of Thy holy Sacrament afford us both purification and healing. Through.

PRAYER.

GRANT to Thy people, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the Spirit of truth and peace: that they may know Thee with all their mind, and with piety and devotion do those things which are well pleasing unto Thee. Through.

Tuesday after Judica.

INTROIT. *Expecta.*

O TARRY thou the Lord's leisure: be strong, and He shall comfort thine heart: and put thou thy trust in the Lord. *Ps.* xxvii. 16.

PSALM. The Lord is my light: and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? (*v.* 1). O tarry.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let our fasting be acceptable to Thee: that taking away our sins it may both make us worthy of Thy grace, and bring us on to our everlasting healing. Through.

LESSON. *History of Bel and the Dragon v.* 29.

SO the Babylonians came to the king, and said: Deliver us Daniel, or else we will destroy thee and thine house. Now when the king

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saw that they pressed him sore, being constrained, he delivered Daniel unto them: who cast him into the lions' den, where he was six days. And in the den there were seven lions, and they had given them every day two carcases, and two sheep: which then were not given to them, to the intent they might devour Daniel. Now there was in Jewry a prophet, called Habbacuc, who had made pottage, and had broken bread in a bowl, and was going into the field, for to bring it to the reapers. But the Angel of the Lord said unto Habbacuc: Go, carry the dinner that thou hast into Babylon unto Daniel, who is in the lions' den. And Habbacuc said: Lord, I never saw Babylon; neither do I know where the den is. Then the Angel of the Lord took him by the crown, and bare him by the hair of his head, and through the vehemency of his spirit set him in Babylon over the den. And Habbacuc cried, saying: O Daniel, Daniel, take the dinner which God hath sent thee. And Daniel said: Thou hast remembered me, O God: neither hast Thou forsaken them that seek Thee and love Thee. So Daniel arose and did eat: and the Angel of the Lord set Habbacuc in his own place again immediately. Upon the seventh day the king went to bewail Daniel: and when he came to the den, he looked in, and behold, Daniel was sitting. Then cried the King with a loud voice, saying: Great art Thou, O Lord God of Daniel, and there is none other beside Thee. And he drew him out, and cast those that were the cause of his destruction into the den: and they were devoured in a moment before his face. Then the king said: Let all that dwell in the whole earth, tremble before the God of Daniel; for He delivereth and rescueth, and He worketh signs and wonders in heaven and in earth, Who hath delivered Daniel from the power of the lions.

GRADUAL. Defend my cause, O Lord: O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man. ℣. O send out Thy light and Thy truth: that they may lead me: and bring me unto Thy holy hill. *Ps.* xliii. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vii. 1.

AFTER these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for He would not walk in Jewry, because the Jews sought to kill Him. Now the Jews' feast of tabernacles was at hand. His brethren therefore said unto Him: Depart hence, and go into Judæa, that Thy disciples also may see the works that Thou doest. For there is no man that doeth anything in secret, and he himself seeketh to be known openly. If Thou do

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these things, shew Thyself to the world. For neither did His brethren believe in Him. Then Jesus said unto them: My time is not yet come: but your time is alway ready. The world cannot hate you; but Me it hateth, because I testify of it, that the works thereof are evil. Go ye up unto this feast: I go not up yet unto this feast; for My time is not yet full come. When He had said these words unto them, He abode still in Galilee. But when His brethren were gone up, then went He also up unto the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret. Then the Jews sought Him at the feast, and said: Where is He? And there was much murmuring among the people concerning Him: for some said: He is a good man: others said, Nay; but He deceiveth the people. Howbeit no man spake openly of Him for fear of the Jews.

OFFERTORY. They that know Thy Name will put their trust in Thee, O Lord: for Thou never failest them that seek Thee: O praise the Lord which dwelleth in Sion; for He forgetteth not the complaint of the poor. *Ps.* ix.

SECRET.

WE bring before Thee, O Lord, our offerings for sacrifice: which we pray may bestow upon us comfort in this life present, so that we fail not to have a more certain hope of Thy eternal promises. Through.

COMMUNION. Deliver me, O God of Israel: out of all my trouble. *Ps.* xxv. 21.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we who are continually occupied with Thy divine service, may be made worthy to approach Thy heavenly gifts. Through.

PRAYER.

GRANT us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, to persevere in the service of Thy holy will: that in our days Thy people, that serveth Thee, may both increase in number, and also grow in goodness. Through.

Wednesday after Judica.

INTROIT. *Liberator meus.*

THOU art He that delivereth me from my cruel enemies: and setteth me up above mine adversaries: Thou shalt rid me from the wicked man, O Lord. *Ps.* xviii. 49.

PSALM. I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my stony rock, and my defence (*v.* 1). Thou art.

COLLECT.

HALLOW this our fast, O God, and mercifully enlighten the hearts of Thy faithful people: and as Thou givest them an hearty desire to pray, so do Thou graciously vouchsafe a favourable

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hearing to their prayers. Through.

LESSON. *Leviticus* xix. 1.

AND the Lord spake unto Moses, saying: Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them: Ye shall be holy: for I the Lord, your God am holy. Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another. And ye shall not swear by My Name falsely, neither shalt thou profane the Name of Thy God: I am the Lord. Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob him: the wages of him that is hired shall not abide with thee all night until the morning. Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumbling-block before the blind, but shalt fear thy God: I am the Lord. Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty: but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbour. Thou shalt not go up and down as a talebearer among thy people: neither shalt thou stand against the blood of thy neighbour: I am the Lord. Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: that shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him. Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the Lord. Ye shall keep My statutes. For I am the Lord, your God.

GRADUAL. I will magnify Thee, O Lord, for Thou hast set me up: and not made my foes to triumph over me. ℣. O Lord my God, I cried unto Thee, and Thou hast healed me; Thou, Lord, hast brought my soul out of hell: Thou hast kept my life from them that go down to the pit. *Ps.* xxx. 1.

TRACT. *As on Ember Wednesday, page* 197.

GOSPEL. *St. John* x. 22.

AND it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter. And Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch. Then came the Jews round about Him, and said unto Him: How long dost Thou make us to doubt? If Thou be the Christ, tell us plainly. Jesus answered them: I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in My Father's Name, they bear witness of Me. But ye believe not, because ye are not of My sheep, as I said unto you. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me: and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand. My Father, which gave them Me, is greater than all: and no man is able to pluck them

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out of My Father's hand. I and My Father are one. Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. Jesus answered them: Many good works have I shewed you from My Father; for which of those works do ye stone Me? The Jews answered Him, saying: For a good work we stone Thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that Thou, being a man, makest Thyself God. Jesus answered them: Is it not written in your law: I said, Ye are gods? If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken; say ye of Him, Whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world: Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God? If I do not the works of My Father, believe Me not. But if I do, though ye believe not Me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father is in Me, and I in Him.

OFFERTORY. Deliver me from mine enemies, O God: defend me from them that rise up against me. *Ps.* lix. 1.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, most merciful God: that we may present before Thee our Sacrifice of propitiation and praise, with unfeigned duty and service. Through.

COMMUNION. I will wash my hands in innocency, and so will I go to Thine altar, O Lord: that I may shew the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all Thy wondrous works. *Ps.* xxvi. 6.

POSTCOMMUNION.

HAVING received the blessing of the heavenly Gift, we humbly entreat Thee, almighty God: that this same Gift may be to us the means of Thy grace in this life, as well as of our salvation in the world to come. Through.

PRAYER.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thine hoped-for mercy come to Thy suppliant people: and of Thy heavenly bounty let it be granted them, so that they may both ask such things as be rightful, and also obtain their petitions. Through.

Thursday after Judica.

INTROIT. *Omnia.*

EVERYTHING that Thou hast done to us, O Lord, Thou hast done in true judgment; for we have sinned, and not obeyed Thy commandments: but give glory to Thy Name, and deal with us according to the multitude of Thy mercies. *Dan.* iii. 28.

PSALM. Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God, even upon His holy hill (xlviii. 1). Everything.

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COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that as the excellence of human nature was wounded by want of moderation, so by the practice of a healing self-denial it may be restored. Through.

LESSON. *Song of Child.* iii. 12.

AZARIAS prayed, saying: O Lord God of Israel, cause not Thy mercy to depart from us, for Thy beloved Abraham's sake, for Thy servant Isaac's sake, and for Thy holy Israel's sake; to whom Thou hast spoken and promised, that Thou wouldest multiply their seed as the stars of heaven, and as the sand that lieth upon the seashore. For we, O Lord, are become less than any nation, and be kept under this day in all the world because of our sins. Neither is there at this time prince, or prophet, or leader, or burnt offering, or sacrifice, or oblation, or incense, or place to sacrifice before Thee, and to find mercy. Nevertheless in a contrite heart and an humble spirit let us be accepted. Like as in the burnt offerings of rams and bullocks, and like as in ten thousands of fat lambs: so let our sacrifice be in Thy sight this day, and grant that we may wholly go after Thee: for they shall not be confounded that put their trust in Thee. And now we follow Thee with all our heart, we fear Thee, and seek Thy face. Put us not to shame: but deal with us after Thy loving-kindness, and according to the multitude of Thy mercies. Deliver us also according to Thy marvellous works, and give glory to Thy Name, O Lord: and let all them that do Thy servants hurt be ashamed; and let them be confounded in all their power and might, and let their strength be broken; and let them know that Thou art Lord, the only God, and glorious over the whole world.

GRADUAL. Bring presents, and come into His courts: O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. *Ps.* xcvi. 8. ℣. The Lord discovereth the thick bushes: in His temple doth every man speak of His honour. *Ps.* xxix. 8.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vii. 40.

MANY of the people, when they heard the saying of Jesus, said: Of a truth this is the Prophet. Others said: This is the Christ. But some said: Shall Christ come out of Galilee? Hath not the scripture said: That Christ cometh of the seed of David, and out of the town of Bethlehem, where David was? So there was a division among the people because of Him. And some of them would have taken Him; but no man laid hands on Him. Then came the officers to the chief priests and Pharisees; and they said

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unto them: Why have ye not brought Him? The officers answered: Never man spake like this man. Then answered them the Pharisees: Are ye also deceived? Have any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed on Him? But this people who knoweth not the law are cursed. Nicodemus saith unto them, he that came to Jesus by night, being one of them: Doth our law judge any man, before it hear Him, and know what He doeth? They answered and said unto him: Art thou also of Galilee? Search, and look: for out of Galilee ariseth no prophet. And every man went unto his own house.

OFFERTORY. By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept: when we remembered thee, O Sion. *Ps.* cxxxvii. 1.

SECRET.

O LORD our God, Who hast commanded that out of these creatures, which Thou hast created chiefly for the support of our weakness, gifts shall likewise be offered to Thy holy Name: grant, we beseech Thee; that they may be unto us both a help in this life present, and also a pledge of the eternal life to come. Through.

COMMUNION. O think upon Thy servant, as concerning Thy word, O Lord, wherein Thou hast caused me to put my trust: the same is my comfort in my trouble. *Ps.* cxix. 49.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord: that what we have taken with our mouth, we may receive with a pure mind; and let the temporal gift vouchsafed to us become our everlasting healing. Through.

PRAYER.

BE favourable, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to Thy people: that they eschewing those things that are displeasing to Thee, may the more be filled with the delights of Thy commandments. Through.

Friday after Judica.

INTROIT. *Miserere.*

HAVE mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies; and from them that persecute me, let me not be confounded, O Lord, for I have called upon Thee. *Ps.* xxxi. 10.

PSALM. In Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion: deliver me in Thy righteousness (*v.* 1). Have mercy.

COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, mercifully to pour the help of Thy grace into our hearts: that we restraining our sins by voluntary self-denial; may so mortify our-

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selves in this life, that we be not sentenced to everlasting punishment hereafter. Through.

LESSON. *Jeremiah* xvii. 13.

JEREMIAH spake, and said: O Lord, the hope of Israel, all that forsake Thee shall be ashamed, and they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the Lord, the fountain of living waters. Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for Thou art my praise. Behold, they say unto me: Where is the word of the Lord? let it come now. As for me, I have not hastened from being a pastor to follow thee: neither have I desired the woeful day; thou knowest: that which came out of my lips was right before thee. Be not a terror unto me: thou art my hope in the day of evil. Let them be confounded that persecute me, but let not me be confounded: let them be dismayed, but let not me be dismayed: bring upon them the day of evil, and destroy them with double destruction.

GRADUAL. The communing of mine enemies was not for peace; and in their anger they were full of trouble against me. ℣. This Thou hast seen, O Lord my God, hold not Thy tongue: go not far from me. *Ps.* xxxv. 20.

TRACT *same as on Ash Wednesday, page* 183.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xi. 47.

THEN gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said: What do we? for this Man doeth many miracles. If we let Him thus alone, all men will believe on Him: and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation. And one of them, named Caiaphas, being the high priest that same year, said unto them: Ye know nothing at all, nor consider that it is expedient for us, that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not. And this spake he not of himself: but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation; and not for that nation only, but that also He should gather together in one the children of God that were scattered abroad. Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put Him to death. Jesus therefore walked no more openly among the Jews; but went thence unto a country near to the wilderness, into a city called Ephraim, and there continued with His disciples.

OFFERTORY. Blessed art Thou, O Lord: O teach me Thy statutes: and give me not over unto the proud that oppress me so shall I make

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answer unto my blasphemers. *Ps.* cxix. 12.

SECRET.

GRANT us, O merciful God: that we may always so worthily serve at Thy altars, that by continually partaking thereat we may be saved. Through.

COMMUNION. Deliver me not, O Lord, over into the will of mine adversaries: for there are false witnesses risen up against me, and such as speak wrong. *Ps.* xxvii. 14.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the defence of the Sacrifice of which we have partaken, O Lord, never forsake us: and always drive far away all things that may hurt us. Through.

PRAYER.

GRANT us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, both pardon of our sins, and an increase of true religion: and that Thou mayest multiply upon us Thy gifts, make us more ready to obey Thy commandments. Through.

Saturday after Judica.

The INTROIT, GRADUAL, *and* COMMUNION *the same as on Friday, page* 261.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the people that is dedicated to Thee, increase in the love of godly devotion: that being taught by holy exercises; as they become more pleasing to Thy divine Majesty, so they may be enriched with greater gifts. Through.

LESSON. *Jeremiah* xviii. 18.

THE men of Judah said: Come, and let us devise devices against Jeremiah; for the law shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet. Come, and let us smite him with the tongue, and let us not give heed to any of his words. Give heed to me, O Lord, and hearken to the voice of them that contend with me. Shall evil be recompensed for good? for they have digged a pit for my soul. Remember that I stood before Thee to speak good for them, and to turn away Thy wrath from them. Therefore deliver up their children to the famine, and pour out their blood by the force of the sword; and let their wives be bereaved of their children, and be widows; and let their men be put to death; let their young men be slain by the sword in battle. Let a cry be heard from their houses, when Thou shalt bring a troop suddenly upon them: for they have digged a pit to take me, and hid snares for my feet. Yet, Lord, Thou knowest all their counsel against me to slay me; forgive not their iniquity, neither blot out their sin from Thy sight, but let them be

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overthrown before Thee; deal thus with them in the time of Thine anger.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 53.

JESUS said unto them: Verily, verily I say unto you: Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man, and drink His blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth My flesh, and drinketh My blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For My Flesh is meat indeed, and My Blood is drink indeed. He that eateth My Flesh, and drinketh My Blood, dwelleth in Me, and I in him. As the living Father hath sent Me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth Me, even he shall live by Me. This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever. These things said He in the synagogue, as He taught in Capernaum. Many therefore of His disciples, when they heard this, said: This is an hard saying: Who can hear it? When Jesus knew in Himself that His disciples murmured at it, He said unto them: Doth this offend you? What and if ye shall see the Son of Man ascend up where He was before? It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. But there are some of you that believe not. For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who should betray Him. And He said: Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto Me, except it were given unto him of My Father. From that time many of His disciples went back, and walked no more with Him. Then said Jesus unto the twelve: Will ye also go away? Then Simon Peter answered Him: Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that Thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus answered them: Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil? He spake of Judas Iscariot the son of Simon: for he it was that should betray Him, being one of the twelve.

OFFERTORY. Remember that I stood before Thee to speak good for them: and to turn away Thy wrath from them. *Jer.* xviii. 20.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, O almighty Creator, those things which out of the abundance of Thine own bountiful gifts, we with fasting bring before Thee: and those things which Thou hast bestowed upon us for our support in this temporal life, do Thou mercifully make a means of our obtaining the life everlasting. Through.

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POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God: that we who are filled with the abundance of Thy divine Gift, may ever live by our partaking thereof. Through.

PRAYER.

LET Thy right hand, we beseech Thee, O Lord, defend Thy people that prayeth: and purifying them, do Thou vouchsafe to teach them, that they may be both cherished and sustained by Thy present comfort, and so advance to the blessings that are to come. Through.

Palm Sunday.

¶ *After sprinkling of holy water, this Lesson is read with its title at the Altar-step, on the south side, over the flowers and branches, by an Acolyte in alb.*

LESSON. *Exod.* xv.27—xvi.1.

IN those days the children of Israel came to Elim, where were twelve wells of water, and threescore and ten palm trees: and they encamped there by the waters. And they took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt. And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness: and the children of Israel said unto them: Would to God we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh pots, and when we did eat bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger. Then said the Lord unto Moses: Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a certain rate every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in My law or no. And it shall come to pass, that on the sixth day they shall prepare that which they bring in; and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily. And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel: At even, then ye shall know that the Lord hath brought you out from the land of Egypt: and in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of the Lord; for that He heareth your murmurings against the Lord: and what are we that ye murmur against us? And Moses said: This shall be when the Lord shall give you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full; for that the Lord heareth your murmurings which ye murmur against Him: and what are we? your murmurings are not against us, but against the Lord. And Moses spake

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unto Aaron: Say unto all the congregation of the children of Israel: Come near before the Lord; for He hath heard your murmurings. And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and behold the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud.

¶ *This Gospel follows, and is read by a deacon, turning to the east, where the Gospel is wont to be read, after the blessing has been received, page* 59, *with* The Lord be with you, *and* Glory, &c., *as usual.*

GOSPEL. *St. John* xii. 12.

MUCH people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet Him, and cried: Hosanna, blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the Name of the Lord. And Jesus, when He had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written: Fear not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt. These things understood not His disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of Him, and that they had done these things unto Him. The people therefore that was with Him when He called Lazarus out of his grave, and raised him from the dead, bare record. For this cause the people also met Him, for that they heard that He had done this miracle. The Pharisees therefore said among themselves: Perceive ye how ye prevail nothing? behold, the world is gone after Him.

¶ *The Gospel ended, the blessing of the palms follows by a priest in cope, on the third step of the Altar, turning to the south; palms and flowers having been previously placed upon the Altar for the clergy, and for others, on the step of the Altar at the south side.*

I EXORCISE thee, O creature of flowers or leaves; in the Name of God the Father almighty, and in the Name of Jesus Christ His Son our Lord, and in the power of the Holy Ghost: henceforth let all strength of the adversary, all the host of the devil, every power of the enemy, every assault of demons, be rooted out and expelled from this creature of flowers or leaves; that thou pursue not by thy wiles and subtleties, the footsteps of those who are hastening on to the grace of God. Through Him Who shall come to judge the quick and the dead and the world by fire. ℟. Amen.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who at the

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deluge didst declare to Noe Thy servant the restoration of peace to the world by the dove bearing in its mouth an olive branch: we humbly entreat Thee; that Thy truth may hal✠low this creature of flowers and leaves and branches of palms, or boughs of trees, which we offer in the presence of Thy glory, that so Thy devout people taking them in their hands, may obtain the grace of Thy blessing. Through.

Let us pray.

O GOD, Whose Son for the salvation of mankind came down from heaven to earth; and Who, when the time of His Passion drew near, was pleased to enter into Jerusalem sitting on an ass, and to be praised, and called King by the multitude: increase the faith of those that hope in Thee, and mercifully hear the prayers of Thy suppliant people. Let Thy blessing, we beseech Thee, O Lord, come upon us; and vouchsafe to bl✠ess these branches of palms and other trees; that all who shall carry them may be filled with the gift of Thy blessing. Grant therefore, O Lord, that as the Hebrew children met the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, with palm branches crying, Hosanna in the highest; so we likewise bearing the branches of trees in our hands, may go out to meet Christ with good works, and so come to His everlasting joy. Through the same.

Let us pray.

O GOD, Who dost gather together the dispersed, and preservest them that are gathered; Who didst bless the people carrying palm branches to meet Jesus: bl✠ess also these branches of palm and other trees, which Thy servants are to receive in faith to the blessing of Thy Name: that into whatsoever place they may be taken, all that dwell there may obtain Thy blessing: that so all ills and adversities being put to flight, Thy right hand may protect those whom it hath redeemed. Through the same.

¶ *Here the priest sprinkles with holy water, and censes the branches. Then he says:*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O LORD Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, Creator and Redeemer of the world, Who for our deliverance and salvation didst vouchsafe to come down from the highest heaven to take flesh, and to suffer: and Who of Thine own will, when drawing nigh unto the place of the same Thy Passion, wast pleased to be blessed, and praised, by the crowds meeting Him with palm branches, and to be proclaimed aloud a King blessed

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coming in the Name of the Lord; do Thou now accept our confession and praise; and vouchsafe to bl✠ess and hal✠low these branches of palms and other trees and flowers; that whosoever shall carry anything hence in reverence of Thy power, being sanctified by Thy heavenly blessing, may be accounted worthy to receive remission of sins, and the reward of everlasting life. Through Thee, O Jesus Christ our Saviour: Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest God world without end. ℟. Amen.

¶ *This done, the palms are distributed: the first of the clergy gives a palm to the officiating priest, who then gives one to him, and to the rest of the clergy; and afterwards to the people, who receive the palm kneeling. In the meanwhile these Anthems are sung.*

THE Hebrew children, carrying olive branches, met the Lord, crying out and saying, Hosanna in the highest.

THE Hebrew children spread their garments in the way, and cried saying, Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

THE PROCESSION.*

The ministers are vested in girded albs and amices only, the priest in a cope, preceded by an unveiled cross and candles: the deacon says: ℣. Let us go forward in peace. *The choir answers:* ℟. In the Name of Christ. Amen.

The Procession is then made round the Church, the people following, all carrying their palms: during its progress, the following is sung:

Seven Choristers. Glory, and laud, and honour, to Thee, Redeemer King! To Whom the lips of children made sweet Hosannas ring.

Choir. Glory, and laud, and honour (*repeating the same*).

Choristers. Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's Royal Son, Who in the Lord's Name comest, the King and Blessed One.

Choir. Glory, and laud, &c.

Choristers. The company of Angels are praising Thee on high, and mortal men, and all things created, make reply.

Choir. Glory, and laud, &c.

Choristers. The people of the Hebrews, with palms before Thee went; our praise, and prayer, and anthems before Thee we present.

* The ceremonies used at the procession upon this day were, according to the Sarum Rite, most solemn and elaborate; it seemed the more practical course to give, in this book, so much of the ceremonies and rubrics as could be actually carried out at the present day. In what is here given nothing has been altered, but large omissions have been made.

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Choir. Glory, and laud,* &c.

Choristers. Thou wast hast'ning to Thy Passion, when they raised their hymns of praise; Thou art reigning in Thy glory, when our melody we raise.

Choir. Glory, and laud, &c.

Choristers. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King.

Choir. Glory, and laud, &c.

Choristers. Receive, instead of palm-boughs, our victory o'er the foe, that in the Conqueror's triumph this strain may ever flow.

Choir. Glory, and laud, &c.

¶ *At the Rood in the Church.*

HAIL, our King, the Son of David, Redeemer of the world: Whom the prophets foretold as the Saviour of the house of Israel that should come. For Thee hath the Father sent into the world to be the Victim of Salvation, which all the Saints from the beginning of the world, and now waited for. Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

¶ *Which done, they enter the Choir. All Crosses in the Church are uncovered until after Evensong. As they enter the Choir, they sing:*

℟. Lying men compassed Me about: they scourged Me without a cause. But do Thou, O Lord, My defender, avenge Me. ℣. Deliver Me from Mine enemies, O My God: and defend Me from them that rise up against Me. But do Thou.

COLLECT. Almighty and everlasting God, *see below.*

¶ *Which done, the ministers vest for Mass; all present hold their branches in their hands, while the* Passion *and* last Gospel *are read.*

INTROIT. *Domine ne longe.*

BE not Thou far from Me, O Lord, Thou art My succour, haste Thee to help Me: save Me from the lion's mouth: Thou hast heard Me also from among the horns of the unicorns. *Ps.* xxii. 19.

PSALM. My God, My God, look upon Me; why hast Thou forsaken Me: and art so far from My health and from the words of My complaint (*v.* 1). Be not.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who, of Thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent Thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon Him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the Cross, that all mankind should follow the example of His great humility: mercifully grant; that we may both follow the

* Here the hymn ended.

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example of His patience, and also be made partakers of His resurrection. Through the same.

¶ *Only this Collect is said.*

EPISTLE. *Philippians* ii. 5.

LET this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God; but made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the Cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a Name which is above every name; that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth: and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GRADUAL. Thou hast holden Me by My right hand: Thou shalt guide Me with Thy counsel: and after that receive Me with glory. ℣. Truly God is loving unto Israel, even unto such as are of a clean heart: nevertheless My feet were almost gone, My treadings had well-nigh slipt: and why? I was grieved at the wicked, I do also see the ungodly in such prosperity. *Ps.* lxxiii. 23.

TRACT. My God, My God, look upon Me: why hast Thou forsaken Me? ℣. And art so far from My health, and from the words of My complaint? ℣. O My God, I cry in the day-time, but Thou hearest not: and in the night-season, also I take no rest. ℣. And Thou continuest holy, O Thou worship of Israel: our fathers hoped in Thee, they trusted in Thee, and Thou didst deliver them. ℣. They called upon Thee, and were holpen: they put their trust in Thee, and were not confounded. ℣. But as for Me, I am a worm, and no man: a very scorn of men, and the out-cast of the people. ℣. All they that see Me laugh Me to scorn: they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying. ℣. He trusted in God, that He would deliver Him: let Him deliver Him, if He will have Him. ℣. They stand staring, and looking upon Me: they part My garments among them, and cast lots upon My vesture. ℣. Save Me from the lion's mouth: Thou hast heard Me also from among the horns of the unicorns. ℣. O praise the Lord, ye that fear Him: magnify Him, all ye seed of Jacob. ℣. They shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation: they shall come, and the heavens shall declare His righteousness. ℣. Unto a people that shall be born: whom the Lord hath made. *Ps.* xxii.

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¶ *The Tract ended, the Passion is at once begun, the prayer, page* 59, *is not said, nor* The Lord be with you, *nor the answer* Glory be to Thee, O Lord. *The Celebrant reads the whole Passion at the Epistle side of the Altar. This is observed on the other days of Holy Week when the Passion is read.*

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW.*

AND it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, He said unto His disciples: Ye know that after two days is the feast of the passover, and the Son of Man is betrayed to be crucified. Then assembled together the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the people, unto the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas, and consulted that they might take Jesus by subtilty, and kill Him. But they said: Not on the feast day, lest there be an uproar among the people. Now when Jesus was in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, there came unto Him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on His head, as He sat at meat. But when His disciples saw it, they had indignation, saying: To what purpose is this waste? For this ointment might have been sold for much and given to the poor. When Jesus understood it, He said unto them: Why trouble ye the woman? for she hath wrought a good work upon Me. For ye have the poor always with you; but Me ye have not always. For in that she hath poured this ointment on My body, she did it for My burial. Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall also this, that this woman hath done, be told for a memorial of her. Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, and said unto them: What will ye give me, and I will deliver Him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver. And from that time he sought opportunity to betray Him. Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread, the disciples came to Jesus, saying unto Him: Where wilt Thou that we prepare for Thee to eat the passover? And He said: Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him: The Master saith, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at thy house with My disciples. And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them: and they made ready the passover. Now

* According to the English Prayer Book the Passion begins at the second paragraph, When the morning, &c.

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when the even was come, He sat down with the twelve. And as they did eat, He said: Verily, I say unto you, that one of you shall betray Me. And they were exceeding sorrowful, and began every one of them to say unto Him: Lord, is it I? And He answered and said: He that dippeth his hand with Me in the dish, the same shall betray Me. The Son of Man goeth as it is written of Him: but woe unto that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! it had been good for that man if he had not been born. Then Judas, which betrayed Him, answered and said: Master, is it I? He said unto him: Thou hast said. And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said: Take, eat; This is My Body. And He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: Drink ye all of it; for this is My Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. But I say unto you: I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom. And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives. Then saith Jesus unto them: All ye shall be offended because of Me this night: for it is written: I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad. But after I am risen again, I will go before you into Galilee. Peter answered, and said unto Him: Though all men shall be offended because of Thee, yet will I never be offended. Jesus said unto him: Verily I say unto thee, That this night, before the cock crow, thou shalt deny Me thrice. Peter said unto Him: Though I should die with Thee, yet will I not deny Thee. Likewise also said all the disciples. Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples: Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder. And He took with Him Peter, and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorowful and very heavy. Then saith He unto them: My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with Me. And He went a little farther, and fell on His face, and prayed, saying: O My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from Me: nevertheless not as I will, but as Thou wilt. And He cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter: What, could ye not watch with Me one hour? Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying: O My Father, if this cup may not pass away from Me, except I drink it, Thy will be done.

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And He came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy. And He left them and went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words. Then cometh He to His disciples, and saith unto them: Sleep on now, and take your rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us be going: behold, he is at hand that doth betray Me. And while He yet spake, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders of the people. Now he that betrayed Him gave them a sign, saying: Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is He: hold Him fast. And forthwith he came to Jesus, and said: Hail, Master, and kissed Him. Then Jesus said unto him: Friend, wherefore, art thou come? Then came they, and laid hands on Jesus, and took Him. And, behold, one of them which were with Jesus stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest's, and smote off his ear. Then said Jesus unto him: Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword. Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to My Father, and He shall presently give Me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be? In that same hour said Jesus to the multitudes: Are ye come out as against a thief with swords and staves for to take Me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple, and ye laid no hold on Me. But all this was done that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples forsook Him and fled. And they that had laid hold on Jesus led Him away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled. But Peter followed Him afar off unto the high priest's palace, and went in, and sat with the servants, to see the end. Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false witness against Jesus, to put Him to death: but found none: yea, though many false witnesses came, yet found they none. At the last came two false witnesses, and said: This fellow said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days. And the high priest arose, and said unto Him: Answerest Thou nothing? what is it which these witness against Thee? But Jesus held His peace. And the high priest answered and said unto Him: I adjure Thee by the living God, that Thou tell us whether Thou be the Christ, the Son of God. Jesus saith unto him: Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye

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see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying: He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard His blasphemy. What think ye? They answered and said: He is guilty of death. Then did they spit in His face, and buffeted Him; and others smote Him with the palms of their hands, saying: Prophesy unto us, Thou Christ, Who is he that smote Thee? Now Peter sat without in the palace: and a damsel came unto him, saying: Thou also wast with Jesus of Galilee. But he denied before them all, saying: I know not what thou sayest. And when he was gone out into the porch, another maid saw him, and said unto them that were there: This fellow was also with Jesus of Nazareth. And again he denied with an oath, I do not know the Man. And after a while came unto him they that stood by, and said to Peter: Surely thou also art one of them; for thy speech bewrayeth thee. Then began he to curse and to swear, saying: I know not the Man. And immediately the cock crew. And Peter remembered the word of Jesus, which said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny Me thrice. And he went out and wept bitterly.

WHEN the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus, to put Him to death. And when they had bound Him, they led Him away, and delivered Him to Pontius Pilate the governour. Then Judas who had betrayed Him, when he saw that He was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying: I have sinned, in that I have betrayed the innocent Blood. And they said: What is that to us? see thou to that. And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said: It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of Blood. And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying: And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of Him That was valued, Whom they of the children of Israel did value, and gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me. And Jesus stood before the governour; and the governour asked Him, saying: Art Thou the King of the Jews: And Jesus said unto him: Thou sayest. And when He was

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accused of the chief priests and elders, He answered nothing. Then saith Pilate unto Him: Hearest Thou not how many things they witness against Thee? And He answered him to never a word, insomuch that the governour marvelled greatly. Now at that feast the governour was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would. And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas. Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them: Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus Which is called Christ? For he knew that for envy they had delivered Him. When he was set down on the judgement-seat, his wife sent unto him, saying: Have thou nothing to do with that just Man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of Him. But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus. The governour answered and said unto them: Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said: Barabbas. Pilate saith unto them: What shall I do then with Jesus, Which is called Christ? They all say unto him: Let Him be crucified. And the governour said: Why, what evil hath He done? But they cried out the more, saying: Let Him be crucified. When Pilate saw that He could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying: I am innocent of the Blood of this just Person: see ye to it. Then answered all the people, and said: His Blood be on us, and on our children. Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus he delivered Him to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governour took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto Him the whole band of soldiers. And they stripped Him, and put on Him a scarlet robe. And when they had platted a crown of thorns they put it upon His head, and a reed in His right hand: and they bowed the knee before Him, and mocked Him, saying: Hail! King of the Jews. And they spit upon Him, and took the reed, and smote Him on the head. And after that they had mocked Him they took the robe off from Him, and put His own raiment on Him, and led Him away to crucify Him. And as they came out they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; him they compelled to bear His Cross. And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a scull, they gave Him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when He had tasted thereof, He would not drink. And they crucified Him, and parted His garments, casting lots: that it might

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be fulfilled, which was spoken by the prophet, They parted My garments among them, and upon My vesture did they cast lots. And sitting down they watched Him there; and set up over His head His accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS. Then were there two thieves crucified with Him; one on the right hand, and another on the left. And they that passed by reviled Him, wagging their heads, and saying: Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save Thyself: if Thou be the Son of God, come down from the Cross. Likewise also the chief priests mocking Him, with the scribes and elders, said: He saved others, Himself He cannot save: if He be the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the Cross, and we will believe Him. He trusted in God: let Him deliver Him now, if He will have Him: for He said, I am the Son of God. The thieves also, which were crucified with Him, cast the same in His teeth. Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying: Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me? Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said: This Man calleth for Elias. And straightway one of them ran, and took a spunge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave Him to drink. The rest said: Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save Him. Jesus, when He had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.*

¶ *Here all kneel, while silence is kept for a short space.*

And behold the vail of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom, and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent, and the graves were opened, and many bodies of saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after His Resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. Now when the centurion, and they that were with Him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying: Truly this was the Son of God.†

And many women were there beholding afar off, which followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto Him; among

* During the silence, it was the use to say, Our Father, Hail Mary, and Into Thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit: for Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, Thou God of truth.

† The Passion in the English Prayer Book ends here. What follows is the conclusion according to the old use.

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which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee's children. When the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathæa, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple: he went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered. And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed. And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre.

¶ *Here is said the prayer*, Cleanse my heart, *page* 59: *after which is read*

THE GOSPEL.

NOW the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees, came together unto Pilate, saying: Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while He was yet alive: After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest His disciples come by night, and steal Him away, and say unto the people: He is risen from the dead, so the last error shall be worse than the first. Pilate said unto them: Ye have a watch, go your way, make it as sure as ye can. So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Thy rebuke hath broken My heart, I am full of heaviness: I looked for some to have pity on Me, but there was no man: neither found I any to comfort Me: they gave Me gall to eat, and when I was thirsty, they gave Me vinegar to drink. *Ps.* lxix. 20.

SECRET.

TO Thee, O God, the Father almighty, we offer the Paschal whole burnt offering of the Lamb without spot: by Whose Blood, we beseech Thee to deliver us from the destroyer, and safely lead us into the land of promise. Through the same.

COMMUNION. O My Father, if this cup may not pass away from Me, except I drink it: Thy will be done. *St. Matt.* xxvi. 42.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, give gracious heed to Thy faithful people: that they, devoutly commemorating the beginning of their redemption, may be profited by the increase of those things, by the gift whereof they have been refreshed. Through.

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¶ *When palms have not been blessed, the Gospel, page 266, is read for the last Gospel.*

Monday in Holy Week.

INTROIT. *Judica Domine.*

PLEAD Thou My cause, O Lord, with them that strive with Me: and fight Thou against them that fight against Me: lay hand upon the shield and buckler, and stand up to help Me. *Ps.* xxxv. 1.

PSALM. Bring forth the spear, and stop the way against them that persecute Me (*v.* 3). Plead Thou.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we who amid so many adversities do falter through our weakness; by the intercession of the Passion of Thine Only-begotten Son may be relieved. Who liveth.

LESSON. *Isaiah* lxiii. 1.

WHO is This That cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? This That is glorious in His apparel, travelling in the greatness of His strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save. Wherefore art Thou red in Thine apparel, and Thy garments like him that treadeth in the wine-fat? I have trodden the wine-press alone, and of the people there was none with Me: for I will tread them in Mine anger, and trample them in My fury, and their blood shall be sprinkled upon My garments, and I will stain all My raiment. For the day of vengeance is in Mine heart, and the year of My redeemed is come. And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore Mine own arm brought salvation unto Me, and My fury it upheld Me. And I will tread down the people in Mine anger, and make them drunk in My fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth. I will mention the loving-kindnesses of the Lord, and the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness towards the house of Israel, which He hath bestowed on them, according to His mercies, and according to the multitude of His loving-kindnesses. For He said: Surely they are My people, children that will not lie: so He was their Saviour. In all their affliction He was afflicted, and the Angel of His presence saved them: in His love, and in His pity, He redeemed them, and He bare them, and carried them all the days of old. But they rebelled, and vexed His Holy Spirit; therefore He was turned to be their enemy, and He fought against them. Then He remembered the days of old, Moses and His people, saying: Where is

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He That brought them up out of the sea with the shepherd of His flock? where is He That put His Holy Spirit within him? that led them by the right hand of Moses, with His glorious arm, dividing the water before them, to make Himself an everlasting Name? That led them through the deep as an horse in the wilderness, that they should not stumble? As a beast goeth down into the valley, the Spirit of the Lord caused him to rest! So didst Thou lead Thy people, to make Thyself a glorious Name. Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of Thy holiness, and of Thy glory: where is Thy zeal, and Thy strength, the sounding of Thy bowels, and of Thy mercies towards me? Are they restrained? Doubtless Thou art our Father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: Thou, O Lord art our Father, our Redeemer, Thy Name is from everlasting. O Lord, why hast Thou made us to err from Thy ways? and hardened our hearts from Thy fear? Return for Thy servants' sake, the tribes of Thine inheritance. The people of Thy holiness have possessed it but a little while: our adversaries have trodden down Thy sanctuary. We are Thine: Thou never barest rule over them; they were not called by Thy Name.*

* GRADUAL. Awake, O Lord, and stand up to judge My quarrel: avenge Thou My cause, My God, and My Lord. ℣. Bring forth the spear, and stop the way against them that persecute Me. *Ps.* xxxv. 23.

TRACT. *As on Ash Wednesday, page* 183.

¶ *According to Sarum the Gospel for this day was St. John*, xii. 1—36: *according to present English use, the first part of the Passion by St. Mark, (see Service for Tuesday, page* 282,*) is read as the Gospel.*

GOSPEL. *St. John* xii. 1.

JESUS six days before the Passover came to Bethany, where Lazarus was which had been dead, whom He raised from the dead. There they made Him a supper; and Martha served: but Lazarus was one of them that sat at the table with Him. Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair: and the house was filled with the odour of the ointment. Then saith one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, which should betray Him: Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred pence, and given to the poor? This

* According to the old use, the Lesson was from Isaiah l. 5—10.

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he said, not that he cared for the poor; but because he was a thief, and had the bag, and bare what was put therein. Then said Jesus: Let her alone: against the day of My burying hath she kept this. For the poor always ye have with you; but Me ye have not always. Much people of the Jews therefore knew that He was there: and they came not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might see Lazarus also, whom He had raised from the dead. But the chief priests consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death; because that by reason of Him many of the Jews went away, and believed on Jesus. On the next day much people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet Him, and cried: Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel, that cometh in the Name of the Lord. And Jesus, when He had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written: Fear not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt. These things understood not His disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of Him, and that they had done these things unto Him. The people therefore that was with Him when He called Lazarus out of his grave, and raised him from the dead, bare record. For this cause the people also met Him, for that they heard that He had done this miracle. The Pharisees therefore said among themselves: Perceive ye how ye prevail nothing? behold, the world is gone after Him. And there were certain Greeks among them that came up to worship at the feast: the same came therefore to Philip, which was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and desired him, saying: Sir, we would see Jesus. Philip cometh and telleth Andrew: and again Andrew and Philip tell Jesus. And Jesus answered them, saying: The hour is come, that the Son of Man should be glorified. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit. He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal. If any man serve Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there shall also My servant be: if any man serve Me, him will My Father honour. Now is My soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save Me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour. Father, glorify Thy Name. Then came there a voice from heaven, saying: I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again.

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The people therefore, that stood by, and heard it, said that it thundered: others said: An Angel spake to Him. Jesus answered and said: This voice came not because of Me, but for your sakes. Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto Me. This He said, signifying what death He should die. The people answered Him: We have heard out of the law that Christ abideth for ever: and how sayest Thou, The Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man? Then Jesus said unto them: Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth. While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide Himself from them.

OFFERTORY. Deliver Me, O Lord, from Mine enemies: for I flee unto Thee to hide Me, teach Me to do the thing that pleaseth Thee: for Thou art My God. *Ps.* cxliii. 9.

SECRET.

LET this very oblation commend Thy faithful people unto Thy Majesty, O Lord: for hereby are those that were enemies reconciled unto Thee, by Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth.

COMMUNION. Let them be put to confusion and shame together, that rejoice at My trouble: let them be clothed with rebuke and dishonour, that boast themselves against Me. *Ps.* xxxv. 26.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE being filled with Thy saving gift, O Lord, humbly entreat Thy mercy: that by this same Sacrament whereby Thou dost strengthen us in this life present, Thou wouldest make us partakers of life everlasting. Through.

PRAYER.

HELP us, O God of our salvation: and grant that we may joyfully come to the commemoration of those Thy benefits, whereby it hath pleased Thee to restore us. Through.

Tuesday in Holy Week.

INTROIT. *Nos autem.*

BUT it behoveth us to glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in Whom is our salvation, life, and resurrection: by Whom we are saved and set free. *Gal.* vi. 14.

PSALM. God be merciful unto us, and bless us: and shew us the light of His countenance, and be merciful unto us (lxvii. 1). But it.

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COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, grant us so to celebrate the Mysteries of the Passion of our Lord: that we may be made worthy to receive forgiveness of our sins. Through the same.

LESSON. *Isaiah* l. 5.

THE Lord God hath opened Mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back. I gave My back to the smiters, and My cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not My face from shame and spitting. For the Lord God will help Me: therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set My face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed. He is near that justifieth Me: who will contend with Me? Let us stand together; who is Mine adversary? let him come near to Me. Behold, the Lord God will help Me: who is he that shall condemn Me? Lo, they all shall wax old as a garment: the moth shall eat them up. Who is among you that feareth the Lord, that obeyeth the voice of His servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the Name of the Lord, and stay upon his God. Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass yourselves about with sparks; walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks that ye have kindled. This shall ye have of Mine hand, ye shall lie down in sorrow.*

GRADUAL. Nevertheless, when they were sick, I put on sackcloth, and humbled My soul with fasting: and My prayer shall turn into Mine own bosom. ℣. Plead Thou My cause, O Lord, with them that strive with Me, and fight Thou against them that fight against Me: lay hand upon the shield and buckler, and stand up to help Me. *Ps.* xxxv. 13.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO ST. MARK.

AFTER two days was the feast of the Passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take Him by craft, and put Him to death. But they said: Not on the feast-day, lest there be an uproar of the people. And being in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, as He sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard, very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on His head. And there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said: Why was this waste of the ointment made? for it might have been sold for more than three

* The Lesson was from Jeremiah xi. 18—20, according to Sarum.

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hundred pence, and have been given to the poor: and they murmured against her. And Jesus said: Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on Me: for ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good; but Me ye have not always. She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint My body to the burying. Verily I say unto you: Wheresoever this Gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her. And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priests to betray Him unto them. And when they heard it they were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might conveniently betray Him. And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the passover, His disciples said unto Him: Where wilt Thou that we go and prepare, that Thou mayest eat the passover? And He sendeth forth two of His disciples, and saith unto them: Go ye into the city, and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water; follow him: and wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the goodman of the house: The Master saith: Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat the passover with My disciples? And he will shew you a large upper-room furnished, and prepared; there make ready for us. And His disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as He had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. And in the evening He cometh with the twelve. And as they sat, and did eat, Jesus said: Verily I say unto you, One of you which eateth with Me shall betray Me. And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto Him one by one: Is it I? and another said: Is it I? And He answered and said unto them: It is one of the twelve that dippeth with Me in the dish. The Son of Man indeed goeth, as it is written of Him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed: good were it for that man if he had never been born. And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said: Take, eat: this is My Body. And He took the Cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them: and they all drank of it. And He said unto them: This is My Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for many. Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the Kingdom of God. And when they had sung an hymn they went out into the mount of Olives. And Jesus saith unto them: All ye shall be offended because of Me this night; for it is written, I will

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smite the Shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered. But, after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee. But Peter said unto Him: Although all shall be offended, yet will not I. And Jesus saith unto him: Verily I say unto thee, That this day, even in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny Me thrice. But he spake the more vehemently: If I should die with Thee, I will not deny Thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all. And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and He saith to His disciples: Sit ye here, while I shall pray. And He taketh with Him Peter, and James, and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy, and saith unto them: My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death; tarry ye here, and watch. And He went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed, that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from Him. And He said: Abba, Father, all things are possible unto Thee; take away this cup from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what Thou wilt. And He cometh and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter: Simon, sleepest thou; couldest not thou watch one hour? Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation: the spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak. And again He went away, and prayed, and spake the same words. And when He returned He found them asleep again, for their eyes were heavy, neither wist they what to answer Him. And He cometh the third time, and saith unto them: Sleep on now, and take your rest: it is enough, the hour is come; behold, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth Me is at hand. And immediately, while He yet spake, cometh Judas, one of the twelve, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders. And he that betrayed Him had given them a token, saying: Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is He; take Him, and lead Him away safely. And as soon as he was come he goeth straightway to Him, and saith: Master, Master; and kissed Him. And they laid their hands on Him, and took Him. And one of them that stood by drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear. And Jesus answered, and said unto them: Are ye come out as against a thief, with swords and with staves, to take Me? I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and ye took Me not: but the Scriptures must be fulfilled. And they all forsook Him and fled. And there followed Him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about his naked body; and the young

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men laid hold on him: and he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked. And they led Jesus away to the high priest: and with him were assembled all the chief priests, and the elders, and the scribes. And Peter followed Him afar off, even into the palace of the high priest; and he sat with the servants, and warmed himself at the fire. And the chief priests and all the council sought for witness against Jesus to put Him to death; and found none. For many bare false witness against Him, but their witness agreed not together. And there arose certain, and bare false witness against Him, saying: We heard Him say: I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands. But neither so did their witness agree together. And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying: Answerest Thou nothing? what is it which these witness against Thee? But He held His peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked Him, and said unto Him: Art Thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? And Jesus said: I am; and ye shall see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith: What need we any further witnesses? ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned Him to be guilty of death. And some began to spit on Him, and to cover His face, and to buffet Him, and to say unto Him: Prophesy: and the servants did strike Him with the palms of their hands. And as Peter was beneath in the palace there cometh one of the maids of the high priest; and when she saw Peter warming himself she looked upon him, and said: And thou also wast with Jesus of Nazareth. But he denied, saying, I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest. And he went out into the porch; and the cock crew. And a maid saw him again, and began to say to them that stood by: This is one of them. And he denied it again. And a little after, they that stood by said again to Peter: Surely thou art one of them; for thou art a Galilean, and thy speech agreeth thereto. But he began to curse and to swear, saying: I know not this Man of Whom ye speak. And the second time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny Me thrice. And when he thought thereon, he wept.*

* According to present English use the portion of the Passion as the Gospel on Monday ends here.

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AND straightway in the morning the chief priests held a consultation with the elders, and scribes, and the whole council, and bound Jesus, and carried Him away, and delivered Him to Pilate. And Pilate asked Him: Art Thou the King of the Jews? And He answering said unto him: Thou sayest it. And the chief priests accused Him of many things: but He answered nothing. And Pilate asked Him again, saying: answerest Thou nothing? Behold how many things they witness against Thee. But Jesus yet answered nothing: so that Pilate marvelled. Now at that feast he released unto them one prisoner, whomsoever they desired. And there was one named Barabbas, which lay bound with them that had made insurrection with him, who had committed murder in the insurrection. And the multitude, crying aloud, began to desire him to do as he had ever done unto them. But Pilate answered them, saying: Will ye that I release unto you the King of the Jews? For he knew that the chief priests had delivered Him for envy. But the chief priests moved the people, that he should rather release Barabbas unto them: And Pilate answered, and said again unto them: What will ye then that I should do unto Him whom ye call the King of the Jews? And they cried out again: Crucify Him. Then Pilate said unto them: Why, what evil hath He done? And they cried out the more exceedingly: Crucify Him. And so Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged Him, to be crucified. And the soldiers led Him away into the hall, called Prætorium; and they call together the whole band. And they clothed Him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about His head, and began to salute Him: Hail, King of the Jews. And they smote Him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon Him, and bowing their knees worshipped Him. And when they had mocked Him they took off the purple from Him, and put His own clothes on Him, and led Him out to crucify Him. And they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear His Cross. And they bring Him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull. And they gave Him to drink wine mingled with myrrh; but He received it not. And when they had crucified Him they parted His garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take. And it was the third hour, and they crucified Him. And the superscription of His accusation was written over,

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THE KING OF THE JEWS. And with Him they crucify two thieves, the one on His right hand, and the other on His left. And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith: And He was numbered with the transgressors. And they that passed by railed on Him, wagging their heads, and saying: Ah, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save Thyself, and come down from the Cross. Likewise also the chief priests mocking said among themselves, with the scribes: He saved others; Himself He cannot save. Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the Cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with Him reviled Him. And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying: Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me? And some of them that stood by, when they heard it, said: Behold, He calleth Elias. And one ran and filled a spunge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave Him to drink, saying: Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take Him down. And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.

¶ *Here all kneel while silence is kept for a short space.*

And the vail of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom. And when the centurion, which stood over against Him, saw that He so cried out, and gave up the ghost, he said: Truly this Man was the Son of God.*

¶ *If the whole of the Passion according to St. Mark be read to-day, afterwards for the Gospel of the day there is read Ch.* xv. 42—46. *The Passion was only read once on each appointed day: a Gospel, such as that following, being read at low Mass.*

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* xv. 42.

AND now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath, Joseph of Arimathæa, an honourable counsellor, which also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus. And Pilate marvelled if He were already dead; and calling unto him the centurion, he asked him whether He had been any while dead. And when he knew it of the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph. And he bought fine linen, and took Him down,

* According to present English use the portion of the Passion as the Gospel ends here.

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and wrapped Him in the linen, and laid Him in a sepulchre which was hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulchre.

OFFERTORY. Keep Me, O Lord, from the hands of the ungodly : and preserve Me, O Lord, from the wicked men. *Ps.* cxl. 4.

SECRET.

SANCTIFY, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the oblation of Thy people that are consecrated unto Thee : that we being cleansed from the earthly conversation of the old man, may be renewed by the increase of our heavenly life. Through.

COMMUNION. They that sit in the gate speak against Me : and the drunkards make songs upon Me : but, Lord, I make My prayer unto Thee in an acceptable time : Hear Me, O God, in the multitude of Thy mercy. *Ps.* lxix. 12.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE humbly entreat Thee, O Lord, that we who are filled with the grace of Thy sacred Gift : may more fully perceive the sweetness in our minds of those things which by bodily taste we have received with the sweetness of reverence. Through.

PRAYER.

LET Thy pity, O God, throughly cleanse us from the deceits of the old man, and make us able to put on the holiness of the newness of life. Through.

Wednesday in Holy Week.

INTROIT. *In Nomine Domini.*

AT the Name of Jesus every knee shall bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth : for the Lord became obedient unto death, even the death of the Cross : therefore Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. *Phil.* ii. 10.

PSALM. Hear my prayer, O Lord : and let my crying come unto Thee (cii. 1). At the Name.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst will that Thy Son should suffer death upon the Cross for us : that Thou mightest deliver us from the power of the enemy ; grant us Thy servants, that we may obtain the grace of His resurrection. Through the same.

*EPISTLE. *Hebrews* ix. 16.

WHERE a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator : for a testament is of force after men are dead ; otherwise it is of no strength at all whilst the testator liveth. Whereupon, neither the first testament was dedicated

* According to Sarum the lesson was from Isaiah liii. 1—10, 12.

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without blood: for when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people, according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people, saying: This is the blood of the testament, which God hath enjoined unto you. Moreover, he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry. And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; nor yet that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others: for then must He often have suffered since the foundation of the world; but now once in the end of the world hath He appeared to put away sin by the Sacrifice of Himself. And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: so Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

TRACT. Hear My prayer, O Lord: and let My crying come unto Thee. ℣. Hide not Thy face from Me in the time of My trouble: incline Thine ear unto Me. ℣. In the day when I call: O hear Me, and that right soon. ℣. For My days are consumed away like smoke: and My bones are burnt up as it were a firebrand. ℣. My heart is smitten down, and withered like grass: so that I forget to eat My bread. ℣. Thou shalt arise, O Lord, and have mercy upon Sion: for it is time that Thou have mercy upon her. *Ps.* cii.

THE BEGINNING OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE.

NOW the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover. And the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill Him; for they feared the people. Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve. And he went his way, and communed with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray Him unto them. And they were glad, and covenanted to give Him money. And he promised, and sought opportunity to betray Him unto them in the absence of the multi-

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tude. Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed. And He sent Peter and John, saying: Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat. And they said unto Him: Where wilt Thou that we prepare? And He said unto them: Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in. And ye shall say unto the good-man of the house: The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat the passover with My disciples? And he shall show you a large upper room furnished; there make ready. And they went, and found as He had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. And when the hour was come He sat down, and the twelve Apostles with Him. And He said unto them: With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: for I say unto you: I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the Kingdom of God. And He took the cup, and gave thanks, and said: Take this, and divide it among yourselves. For I say unto you: I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the Kingdom of God shall come. And He took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying: This is My Body, which is given for you: this do in remembrance of Me. Likewise also the Cup after supper, saying: This Cup is the New Testament in My Blood, which is shed for you. But behold, the hand of him that betrayeth Me is with Me on the table. And truly the Son of Man goeth as it was determined; but woe unto that man by whom He is betrayed. And they began to enquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing. And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. And He said unto them: The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with Me in My temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as My Father hath appointed unto Me; that ye may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And the Lord said: Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: but I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not; and when thou art converted,

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strengthen thy brethren. And he said unto Him: Lord, I am ready to go with Thee both into prison and to death. And He said: I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest Me. And He said unto them: When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said: Nothing. Then said He unto them: But now, he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise his scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one. For I say unto you: That this that is written must yet be accomplished in Me, And he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things concerning Me have an end. And they said: Lord, behold, here are two swords. And He said unto them: It is enough. And He came out, and went, as He was wont, to the mount of Olives, and His disciples also followed Him. And when He was at the place, He said unto them: Pray, that ye enter not into temptation. And He was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down and prayed, saying: Father, if Thou be willing, remove this cup from Me: nevertheless, not My will, but Thine be done. And there appeared an Angel unto Him from heaven, strengthening Him. And being in an agony, He prayed more earnestly; and His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. And when He rose up from prayer, and was come to His disciples, He found them sleeping for sorrow, and said unto them: Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. And while He yet spake, behold, a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near unto Jesus to kiss Him. But Jesus said unto him: Judas, betrayest thou the Son of Man with a kiss? When they who were about Him saw what would follow, they said unto Him: Lord, shall we smite with the sword? And one of them smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear. And Jesus answered and said: Suffer ye thus far. And He touched his ear, and healed him. Then Jesus said unto the chief priests and captains of the temple, and the elders who were come to Him: Be ye come out as against a thief, with swords and staves? When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against Me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness. Then took they Him, and led Him, and brought Him into the high priest's house: and Peter followed afar off. And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them. But a certain maid beheld him, as

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he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said: This man was also with Him. And he denied Him, saying: Woman, I know Him not. And after a little while another saw him, and said: Thou art also of them. And Peter said: Man, I am not. And about the space of one hour after, another confidently affirmed, saying: Of a truth this fellow also was with Him; for he is a Galilean. And Peter said: Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter; and Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had said unto him: Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny Me thrice. And Peter went out, and wept bitterly. And the men that held Jesus mocked Him, and smote Him. And when they had blindfolded Him, they struck Him on the face, and asked Him, saying: Prophesy, who is it that smote Thee? And many other things blasphemously spake they against Him. And as soon as it was day, the elders of the people, and the chief priests, and the scribes, came together, and led Him into their council, saying: Art Thou the Christ? tell us. And He said unto them: If I tell you, ye will not believe: and if I also ask you, ye will not answer Me, nor let Me go. Hereafter shall the Son of Man sit on the right hand of the power of God. Then said they all: Art Thou then the Son of God? And He said unto them: Ye say that I am. And they said: What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of His own mouth.*

THE whole multitude of them arose, and led Him unto Pilate. And they began to accuse Him, saying: We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Cæsar, saying: That He Himself is Christ a King. And Pilate asked Him, saying: Art Thou the King of the Jews? And He answered him, and said: Thou sayest it. Then said Pilate to the chief priests, and to the people, I find no fault in this Man. And they were the more fierce, saying: He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place. When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the Man were a Galilean. And as soon as he knew that He belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent Him to Herod, who himself was also at Jerusalem at that time. And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad; for he was desirous to see Him of a long season, because he had heard

* According to present English use the portion of the Passion as the Gospel to-day ends here.

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many things of Him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by Him. Then he questioned with Him in many words; but He answered him nothing. And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused Him. And Herod with his men of war set Him at nought, and mocked Him, and arrayed Him in a gorgeous robe, and sent Him again to Pilate. And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together; for before they were at enmity between themselves. And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests and the rulers, and the people, said unto them: Ye have brought this Man unto me, as One That perverteth the people: and behold, I, having examined Him before you, have found no fault in this Man touching those things whereof ye accuse Him: No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him; and lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto Him. I will therefore chastise Him, and release Him. For of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast. And they cried out all at once, saying: Away with this Man, and release unto us Barabbas: who for a certain sedition made in the city, and for murder, was cast into prison. Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them. But they cried, saying: Crucify Him, crucify Him. And he said unto them the third time: Why, what evil hath He done? I have found no cause of death in Him: I will therefore chastise Him, and let Him go. And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that He might be crucified: and the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed. And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required. And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will. And as they led Him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the Cross, that he might bear it after Jesus. And there followed Him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented Him. But Jesus, turning unto them, said: Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for Me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. For behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck. Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and ~~to the~~ hills, Cover us. For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry? And there were also two other, malefactors, led with Him to be put to death. And when they were

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come to the place which is called Calvary, there they crucified Him; and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Then said Jesus: Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. And they parted His raiment, and cast lots. And the people stood beholding; and the rulers also with them derided Him, saying: He saved others; let Him save Himself, if He be Christ, the chosen of God. And the soldiers also mocked Him, coming to Him, and offering Him vinegar, and saying: If Thou be the King of the Jews, save Thyself. And a superscription also was written over Him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. And one of the malefactors, which were hanged, railed on Him, saying: If Thou be Christ, save Thyself, and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying: Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds, but this Man hath done nothing amiss. And he said unto Jesus: Lord, remember me when Thou comest into Thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him: Verily I say unto thee, To-day shalt thou be with Me in paradise. And it was about the sixth hour: and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. And the sun was darkened, and the vail of the temple was rent in the midst. And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, He said: Father, into Thy hands, I commend My Spirit: and having said thus, He gave up the ghost.

¶ *Here all kneel, while silence is kept for a short space.*

Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying: Certainly this was a righteous Man. And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things that were done, smote their breasts, and returned. And all His acquaintance, and the women that followed Him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things. *The Creed.*

¶ *If the above be read as the Passion, the following is read as the Gospel of the day, after the usual manner.*

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xxiii. 50.

AND, behold, there was a man named Joseph, a counsellor; and he was a good man, and a just: the same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them; he was of Arimathæa, a city of the Jews: who also himself waited for the kingdom of God. This man went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus: and he took it down and wrapped it in linen, and

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laid it in a sepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid.

OFFERTORY. Hear My prayer, O Lord, and let My crying come unto Thee: hide not Thy face from Me. *Ps.* cii.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to accept our oblation, which we offer unto Thee: and do Thou graciously vouchsafe to bring it to pass, that we may with devout affections attain unto that, which in this Mystery of the Passion of Thy Son our Lord we do set forth. Through the same.

COMMUNION. I have mingled My drink with weeping: for Thou hast taken Me up and cast Me down: and I am withered like grass: but Thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever, Thou shalt arise and have mercy upon Sion: for it is time that Thou have mercy upon her. *Ps.* cii. 9.

POSTCOMMUNION.

ALMIGHTY God, we pray Thee so to enlarge our understandings: that, by the temporal death of Thy Son to which these adorable Mysteries do bear witness, we may surely trust in the everlasting life which Thou hast given us. Through the same.

PRAYER.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee, graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the Cross. Who.

Thursday of the Lord's Supper,

COMMONLY CALLED

Maundy Thursday.*

INTROIT. *Christus, cum esset.*

CHRIST, though He were a Son, yet learned He obedience by the things that He suffered: and being made perfect, He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him, called of God an High Priest after the order of Melchisedech. *Heb.* v. 8.

PSALM. I waited patiently for the Lord: and He inclined unto Me (xl). Christ. (*P*).

COLLECT.

O GOD, from Whom both the traitor Judas received the punishment of his guilt, and the thief the reward of his confession: grant us the fulness of Thy favour and propitiation; that as our Lord Jesus Christ during His Passion did render unto them both, severally according to their deservings; so having taken away from us the errors of our old nature, He may of His bounty bestow upon us

* It would seem that according to ancient custom, the Holy Sacrifice is offered only once to-day.

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the grace of His resurrection. Who.

Or this :

O GOD, Whose Only-begotten Son having loved His own, loved them even unto the end : grant us to-day so to handle the Mystery of His love, and so to follow the example of His humility; that we may be crucified with Him Who died for our sins, and may be counted worthy to follow Him Who rose again for our justification, even Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth. (*P.*)

¶ *Only one Collect is said.*

EPISTLE. 1 *Corinthians* xi. 17.

IN this that I declare unto you, I praise you not; that ye come together not for the better, but for the worse. For first of all, when ye come together in the church, I hear that there be divisions among you, and I partly believe it. For there must be also heresies among you, that they who are approved may be made manifest among you. When ye come together therefore into one place, this is not to eat the Lord's Supper : for in eating every one taketh before other his own supper; and one is hungry, and another is drunken. What, have ye not houses to eat and to drink in ? or despise ye the Church of God, and shame them that have not ? What shall I say to you ? shall I praise you in this ? I praise you not. For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it, and said : Take, eat; this is My Body, which is broken for you : this do in remembrance of Me. After the same manner also He took the Cup, when He had supped, saying : This Cup is the New Testament in My Blood : this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me. For as often as ye eat this Bread, and drink this Cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till He come. Wherefore, whosoever shall eat this Bread, and drink this Cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the Body and Blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's Body. For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world. Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for

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another. And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.

GRADUAL. We have not an High Priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. ℣ Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *Heb.* iv. 15. (*P.*)

¶ *Following present English use, the Gospel to-day would be the part of the Passion by St. Luke,* The whole multitude, *page* 292. *According to Sarum, the Gospel should be as follows:*

GOSPEL. *St. John* xiii. 1.

NOW before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour was come that He should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved His own which were in the world, He loved them unto the end. And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him; Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He was come from God, and went to God; He riseth from supper, and laid aside His garments; and took a towel, and girded Himself. After that He poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith He was girded. Then cometh He to Simon Peter, and Peter saith unto Him: Lord, dost Thou wash my feet? Jesus answered and said unto him: What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter. Peter saith unto Him: Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him: If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with Me. Simon Peter saith unto Him: Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head. Jesus saith to him: He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all. For He knew who should betray Him; therefore said He: Ye are not all clean. So after He had washed their feet, and had taken His garments, and was set down again, He said unto them: Know ye what I have done to you? Ye call Me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example that ye should do as I have done to you. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Christ hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us an Offering and a Sacrifice to God for a

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sweetsmelling savour. *Ephes.* v. 2. (*P.*)

¶ *Three hosts are consecrated to-day by the celebrant, one for his communion, the other two for reservation.*

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty everlasting God: that our Sacrifice may be made well pleasing unto Thee by Him, Who, as upon this day, did both shew this to His disciples, and command it to be done in remembrance of Himself; even Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. Who liveth.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 69.

COMMUNION. With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer. *St. Luke* xxii. 15. (*P.*)

¶ *Here followed Vespers, which will be found in the Day Office of the Church, page* 132.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE humbly beseech Thee, O Lord our God: that we who have been refreshed with the food of life; may obtain by the gift of Thine immortality, that which we now celebrate in this time of our mortal life. Through.

¶ *This Collect serves for the Collect of Vespers: in this manner both Mass and Vespers are ended together, with* ℣. Let us bless the Lord. ℟. Thanks be to God.

¶ *If the Holy Sacrament be reserved, the following is the order of the ceremony.*

¶ *After the Communion of the clergy and people, the priest puts the Hosts to be reserved into a clean Chalice or Pyxe, covering the vessel with the paten or the top, and with linen and silk veil. After the accustomed ablutions, or after the end of Mass, he censes the Holy Sacrament, kneeling. Then he takes the Chalice or Vessel, and carries the Holy Sacrament in silence to the place prepared for it; which may be in the Sacristy, or in some part of the Church, and generally called, the Sepulchre, or Altar of repose; it is adorned with flowers, lights, &c. The Procession is after the accustomed manner, with incense and light bearers. Having placed the Vessel on the Altar, the priest kneels, censes the Sacrament, and then all rise and return to the Altar by the shorter way. According to the present Roman Use, the hymn* Pange lingua (Nos. 211, 212 *of the Hymnal Noted and Appendix,* 97, *Parts* 1 *and* 2 *of Hymns A.M.*) *is sung, during the Procession.*

THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR.

¶ *The Holy Sacrament being deposited, and the celebrant and ministers returned to the Altar, Vespers are said:*

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which done, the priest laying aside his cope or chasuble and maniple, proceeds to strip the Altar or Altars of all coverings and ornaments, except the Cross or Crucifix and candles. This Antiphon and Psalm are said in the meanwhile.

ANTIPHON. They part My garments among them : and cast lots upon My vesture.

PSALM xxii. *Deus, Deus Meus.*

MY God, My God, look upon Me; why hast Thou forsaken Me : and art so far from My health, and from the words of My complaint ?

O My God, I cry in the day-time, but Thou hearest not : and in the night-season also I take no rest.

And Thou continuest holy : O Thou Worship of Israel.

Our fathers hoped in Thee : they trusted in Thee, and Thou didst deliver them.

They called upon Thee, and were holpen : they put their trust in Thee, and were not confounded.

But as for Me, I am a worm, and no man : a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.

All they that see Me laugh Me to scorn : they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

He trusted in God, that He would deliver Him : let Him deliver Him, if He will have Him.

But Thou art He that took Me out of My Mother's womb : Thou wast My hope, when I hanged yet upon My Mother's breasts.

I have been left unto Thee ever since I was born : Thou art My God even from My Mother's womb.

O go not from Me, for trouble is hard at hand : and there is none to help Me.

Many oxen are come about Me : fat bulls of Basan close Me in on every side.

They gape upon Me with their mouths : as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

I am poured out like water, and all My bones are out of joint : My Heart also in the midst of My body is even like melting wax.

My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and My tongue cleaveth to My gums : and Thou shalt bring Me into the dust of death.

For many dogs are come about Me : and the council of the wicked layeth siege against Me.

They pierced My hands and My feet ; I may tell all My bones : they stand staring and looking upon Me.

They part My garments among them : and cast lots upon My vesture.

But be not Thou far from Me, O Lord : Thou art My succour, haste Thee to help Me.

Deliver My soul from the sword : My darling from the power of the dog.

Save Me from the lion's

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mouth; Thou hast heard Me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

I will declare Thy Name unto My brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise Thee.

O praise the Lord, ye that fear Him: magnify Him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear Him, all ye seed of Israel.

For He hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor: He hath not hid His face from Him, but when He called unto Him He heard Him.

My praise is of Thee in the great congregation: My vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear Him.

The poor shall eat, and be satisfied: they that seek after the Lord shall praise Him; your heart shall live for ever.

All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before Him.

For the kingdom is the Lord's: and He is the Governour among the people.

All such as be fat upon earth: have eaten, and worshipped.

All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before Him: and no man hath quickened his own soul.

My seed shall serve Him: they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.

They shall come, and the heavens shall declare His righteousness: unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

ANTIPHON. They part.

Friday of the Preparation

COMMONLY CALLED

Good Friday.

¶ *The priests and the ministers, vested as for Mass, without Cross, lights or incense, go to the Altar, and kneel awhile in prayer; they rise, and the priest kissing the Altar in the midst, goes to the Epistle side and reads the Lesson: or the Lesson may be read from the lectern, by a lector in alb or surplice: he begins without any announcement.*

Hosea vi. 1.

IN their affliction they will seek Me early: Come and let us return unto the Lord: for He hath torn, and He will heal us; He hath smitten, and He will bind us up. After two days will He revive us: in the third day He will raise us up, and we shall live in His sight. Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord: His going forth is prepared as the morning; and He shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth. O Ephraim, what shall I do unto thee? O Judah, what shall I do unto thee? for your goodness is as a morning

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cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away. Therefore have I hewed them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of My mouth; and Thy judgements are as the light that goeth forth. For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.

TRACT. O Lord, I have heard Thy speech, and was afraid: I considered Thy works, and trembled. ℣. In the midst of two living creatures Thou wilt appear: when the years draw nigh, Thou wilt be known; when the time shall come, Thou wilt be shewn. ℣. When my soul shall tremble: even in Thy wrath remember mercy. ℣. God will come from Libanus: and the Holy One from the shady and dark mountain. ℣. His glory covered the heavens: and the earth was full of His praise. *Hab.* iii.

¶ *The priest says the Collect without* The Lord be with you, *but after this manner: He first says, standing at the Epistle side,* Let us pray: *then kneeling down, he or the deacon says,* Let us bow the knee, *then a short silence being kept, the deacon says,* Arise: *then all arise, and the priest says the Collect.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, from Whom both the traitor Judas received the punishment of his guilt, and the thief the reward of his confession: grant us the fulness of Thy favour and propitiation; that as our Lord Jesus Christ during His Passion did render unto them both, severally according to their deservings; so having taken away from us the errors of our old nature, He may of His bounty bestow upon us the grace of His resurrection. Who.

¶ *The Subdeacon then reads the following Lesson, standing on the Choir step, without giving the title.*

LESSON. *Exodus* xii. 1.

THE Lord spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying: This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you. Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying: In the tenth day of this month, they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house: and if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats: and ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole

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assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening. And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it. And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it. Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof. And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire. And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the Lord's Passover.

TRACT. Deliver Me, O Lord, from the evil man: and preserve Me from the wicked man. ℣. Who imagine mischief in their hearts: and stir up strife all the day long. ℣. They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent: adder's poison is under their lips. ℣. Keep Me, O Lord, from the hands of the ungodly: preserve Me from the wicked men. ℣. Who are purposed to overthrow My goings: the proud have laid a snare for Me. ℣. And spread a net abroad with cords: yea, and set traps in My way. ℣. I said unto the Lord, Thou art My God: hear the voice of My prayers, O Lord. ℣. O Lord God, Thou strength of My health: Thou hast covered My head in the day of battle. ℣. Let not the ungodly have his desire, O Lord: let not his mischievous imagination prosper, lest they be too proud. ℣. Let the mischief of their own lips fall upon the head of them: that compass Me about. ℣. The righteous also shall give thanks unto Thy Name: and the just shall continue in Thy sight. *Ps.* cxl.

* COLLECTS.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the Cross. Who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by Whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before Thee for all estates of men in Thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation

* These three Collects and Epistle would be omitted if the Collect and Lesson previous have been said.

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and ministry, may truly and godly serve Thee. Through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. ℟. Amen.

O MERCIFUL God, Who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that Thou hast made, nor wouldest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live: have mercy upon all Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Hereticks, and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of Thy Word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to Thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

EPISTLE. *Hebrews* x. 1.

THE law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices, which they offered year by year continually, make the comers thereunto perfect: for then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins. But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year. For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. Wherefore, when He cometh into the world, He saith: Sacrifice and offering Thou wouldest not, but a Body hast Thou prepared Me: in burnt-offerings and sacrifices for sin Thou hast had no pleasure: then said I, Lo, I come in the volume of the book it is written of Me to do Thy will, O God. Above, when He said, Sacrifice and offering, and burnt-offerings, and offering for sin Thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein, which are offered by the law: then said He, Lo, I come to do Thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that He may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified, through the offering of the Body of Jesus Christ once for all. And every priest standeth daily ministering, and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But this Man, after He had offered one Sacrifice for sins, for ever sat down on the right hand of God; from henceforth expecting till His enemies be made His foot-stool. For by one Offering He hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified: Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that He had said before; This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put My laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; and their sins and iniquities will I

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remember no more. Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the Blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which He hath consecrated for us, through the vail, that is to say, His flesh; and having an High Priest over the house of God; let us draw near with a true heart, in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; for He is faithful That promised; and let us consider one another to provoke unto love, and to good works; not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

¶ *The Passion according to St John follows, without* The Lord be with you; *and without title, thus:*

JESUS went forth with His disciples over the brook Cedron, where was a garden, into the which He entered, and His disciples. And Judas also, which betrayed Him, knew the place: for Jesus ofttimes resorted thither with His disciples. Judas then, having received a band of men and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons. Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon Him, went forth, and said unto them: Whom seek ye? They answered Him: Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saith unto them: I am He. And Judas also, which betrayed Him, stood with them. As soon then as He had said unto them, I am He, they went backward, and fell to the ground. Then asked He them again: Whom seek ye? And they said: Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus answered: I have told you that I am He: if therefore ye seek Me, let these go their way: that the saying might be fulfilled, which He spake, Of them which thou gavest Me have I lost none. Then Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and smote the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus. Then said Jesus unto Peter: Put up thy sword into the sheath: the cup which My Father hath given Me, shall I not drink it? Then the band and the captain and officers of the Jews took Jesus, and bound Him, and led Him away to Annas first; for he was father-in-law to Caiaphas, which was the high priest that same year. Now Caiaphas was he which gave counsel to the Jews, that it was expedient that one man should die for the people. And Simon Peter followed Jesus,

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and so did another disciple: that disciple was known unto the high priest, and went in with Jesus into the palace of the high priest. But Peter stood at the door without. Then went out that other disciple, which was known unto the high priest, and spake unto her that kept the door, and brought in Peter. Then saith the damsel that kept the door unto Peter: Art not thou also one of this Man's disciples? He saith: I am not. And the servants and officers stood there, who had made a fire of coals; for it was cold: and they warmed themselves: and Peter stood with them, and warmed himself. The high priest then asked Jesus of His disciples, and of His doctrine. Jesus answered him: I spake openly to the world; I ever taught in the synagogue, and in the temple, whither the Jews always resort; and in secret have I said nothing. Why askest thou Me? ask them which heard Me, what I have said unto them: behold, they know what I said. And when He had thus spoken, one of the officers which stood by struck Jesus with the palm of his hand, saying: Answerest Thou the high priest so? Jesus answered him: If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil: but if well, why smitest thou Me? Now Annas had sent Him bound unto Caiaphas the high priest. And Simon Peter stood and warmed himself. They said therefore unto him: Art not thou also one of His disciples? He denied it, and said: I am not. One of the servants of the high priest, being his kinsman whose ear Peter cut off, saith: Did not I see thee in the garden with Him? Peter then denied again: and immediately the cock crew. Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgment: and it was early: and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the Passover. Pilate then went out unto them, and said: What accusation bring ye against this Man? They answered and said unto him: If He were not a malefactor, we would not have delivered Him up unto thee. Then said Pilate unto them: Take ye Him, and judge Him according to your law. The Jews therefore said unto him: It is not lawful for us to put any man to death: that the saying of Jesus might be fulfilled, which He spake, signifying what death He should die. Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said unto Him: Art Thou the King of the Jews? Jesus answered him: Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of Me? Pilate answered: Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered Thee unto me: what hast Thou done? Jesus answered: My kingdom is not of this world: if My kingdom were of

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this world, then would My servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is My kingdom not from hence. Pilate therefore said unto Him: Art Thou a king then? Jesus answered: Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth My voice. Pilate saith unto Him: What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them: I find in Him no fault at all. But ye have a custom that I should release unto you one at the passover: will ye therefore that I release unto you the King of the Jews? Then cried they all again, saying: Not this Man, but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber.

Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged Him. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on His head, and they put on Him a purple robe, and said: Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote Him with their hands. Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them: Behold, I bring Him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in Him. Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them: Behold the Man! When the chief priests therefore and officers saw Him, they cried out, saying: Crucify Him, crucify Him. Pilate saith unto them: Take ye Him, and crucify Him: for I find no fault in Him. The Jews answered him: We have a law, and by our law He ought to die, because He made Himself the Son of God. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid; and went again into the judgment-hall, and saith unto Jesus: Whence art Thou? But Jesus gave him no answer. Then saith Pilate unto Him: Speakest Thou not unto me? knowest Thou not that I have power to crucify Thee, and have power to release Thee? Jesus answered: Thou couldest have no power at all against Me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered Me unto thee hath the greater sin. And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release Him: but the Jews cried out, saying: If thou let this Man go, thou art not Cæsar's friend; whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Cæsar. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgment-seat, in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews: Behold your King! But they cried out: Away with Him, away with Him, crucify Him.

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Pilate saith unto them: Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered: We have no king but Cæsar. Then delivered he Him therefore unto them to be crucified: and they took Jesus, and led Him away. And He, bearing His Cross, went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew, Golgotha: where they crucified Him, and two others with Him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst. And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the Cross; and the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS. This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin. Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate: Write not, The King of the Jews; but that He said: I am the King of the Jews. Pilate answered: What I have written, I have written. Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. They said therefore among themselves: Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the Scripture might be fulfilled, which saith: They parted My raiment among them, and for My vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did. Now there stood by the Cross of Jesus, His Mother, and His Mother's sister, and Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw His Mother, and the disciple standing by, whom He loved, He saith unto His Mother: Woman, behold thy son! Then saith He to the disciple: Behold thy Mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home. After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, saith: I thirst. Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a spunge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to His mouth. When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, He said: It is finished: and He bowed His head, and gave up the ghost.

¶ *Here all kneel, while silence is kept for a short space.*

The Jews, therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the Cross on the sabbath-day, for that sabbath day was an high day, besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with Him. But when they came to Jesus, and saw that He was dead

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already, they brake not His legs. But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced His Side, and forthwith came thereout Blood and Water. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe. For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled: A bone of Him shall not be broken. And again, another Scripture saith: They shall look on Him Whom they pierced.

GOSPEL.

And after this Joseph of Arimathea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave him leave. He came therefore, and took the Body of Jesus. And there came also Nicodemus, which at the first came to Jesus by night, and brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about an hundred pound weight. Then took they the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury. Now in the place where He was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid. There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation day; for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

THE SOLEMN COLLECTS.

¶ *Then the priest, still standing at the Epistle side of the Altar, begins the Solemn Collects, as follows, folding his hands at each exhortation, and expanding them at each Collect.*

LET us pray, dearly beloved, in the first place, for the Holy Church of God: that the Lord our God would vouchsafe to grant it peace, unity, and protection throughout the whole world; and would bring into subjection to it all principalities and powers; and may He grant that we, living quiet and peaceable lives, may glorify God the Father almighty.

Let us pray. Let us bow the knee. Arise.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, Who hast, in Christ, made known Thy glory unto all nations: preserve, we beseech Thee, the works Thy mercy hath wrought; that Thy Church, spread abroad through all the earth, may ever with steadfast faith continue in the confession of Thy Name. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Every Collect has its full ending.*

LET us also pray for our Primate, *N.*, that the Lord our God, Who hath

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chosen him to the order of Bishops, may keep him in health and safety for the good of His holy Church, and for the governance of God's holy people.

Let us pray. Let us bow the knee. Arise.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, by Whose decree all the world standeth sure: favourably regard our prayers; and keep our chosen Prelate by Thy mercy; that the Christian people committed to his charge may, under Thy governance, increase in all good works, the fruit of faith. Through.

LET us pray for the right reverend Father in God, *N.*, our Bishop; that our Lord Jesus Christ may direct him after His own heart, that so he may govern and feed the people committed to his charge in God's holy Church.

Let us pray. Let us bow the knee. Arise.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, have mercy upon Thy servant our Bishop: and direct him, after Thy great goodness, in the way of everlasting salvation; that, by Thy grace, he may desire those things that are well-pleasing to Thee, and with all his strength fulfil the same. Through.

LET us also pray for all Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and all orders in Christ's holy Church, and for all Confessors, Virgins, and Widows, and for all the holy people of God.

Let us pray. Let us bow the knee. Arise.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, by Whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: receive our supplications which we offer before Thee for all estates of men in Thy holy Church; that every member of the same in his vocation and ministry may truly and godly serve Thee. Through . . . . in the unity of the same.

LET us also pray for our gracious Sovereign, *N.*, that the Lord our God, giving *him* the victory over all *his* enemies, would keep us in continual peace.

Let us pray. Let us bow the knee. Arise.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, in Whose hand is the power and right of all the kingdoms of the earth: graciously look upon this Christian empire; that its enemies, trusting in their own strength, may by the right hand of Thy power, be brought to nought. Through.

LET us also pray for all Catechumens: that the

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Lord our God would open the ears of their hearts, and the gate of His mercy; that having, by the laver of regeneration, received the remission of all their sins, they may themselves be found worthy in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Let us pray. Let us bow the knee. Arise.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, Who ever makest Thy Church fruitful in bestowing upon her fresh offspring: increase the faith and understanding of all Catechumens; that, being born anew in the font of Baptism, they may be gathered into the number of Thine adopted children. Through.

LET us pray, dearly beloved, that God the Father almighty would cleanse the world from all errors, that He would take away all pestilences, and drive hence all famine; that He would open the doors of the prisons, and loosen every chain; that to travellers He would grant a safe return, health to the sick, and a sure haven to all that journey by sea.

Let us pray. Let us bow the knee. Arise.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, the comforter of them that mourn, the strength of them that toil: let the prayers of them that cry unto Thee in divers tribulations come into Thy presence; that they all, in their several necessities, may rejoice in the presence of Thy loving-kindness. Through.

LET us also pray for all heretics and schismatics, that Jesus Christ, our Lord and God, would deliver them from all their errors: and would vouchsafe to call them back to their holy mother, the Catholic and Apostolic Church.

Let us pray. Let us bow the knee. Arise.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, Who would have all men to be saved, and wouldest not that any should perish: look upon all souls deceived by the wiles of the devil; that laying aside all wicked heresy, the hearts of those in error may be so turned, that they may come again to the unity of Thy truth. Through.

LET us also pray for the faithless Jews: that the Lord our God would take away the veils from their hearts: that they also may acknowledge our Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us pray.

¶ *Neither* Let us bow the knee, *nor* Arise, *are said, but the Collect immediately follows.*

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, Who dost not cast

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out from Thy mercy even the faithless Jews: mercifully hear the prayers which we offer unto Thee, for that blinded nation; that, acknowledging Christ, the Light of Thy truth, they may be delivered from their darkness. Through the same.

LET us also pray for the heathen: that almighty God would take away the iniquity from their hearts; that leaving their idols they may be turned to the living and true God, and to His only Son, Jesus Christ our God and Lord. With Whom, and with the Holy Ghost, He liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end

Let us pray. Let us bow the knee. Arise.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, Who desirest not the death, but rather the life of sinners: favourably receive our prayer; deliver them from idolatry, and gather them into Thy holy Church, to the praise and glory of thy Name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

THE VENERATION OF THE CROSS.

¶ *The Solemn Collects ended, the priest lays aside his chasuble, and sits in his seat with the deacon and subdeacon on each side. Two other priests in girded albs hold aloft the veiled Cross behind the Altar, on the right side, and solemnly chant the verses, the Choir singing the Responses.*

Priests. O My people, what have I done unto thee? or wherein have I wearied thee? Answer Me. ℣. Because I brought thee out of the land of Egypt: thou hast prepared a Cross for thy Saviour.

Choir. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal: have mercy upon us.

Priests. Because I led thee through the wilderness forty years, and fed thee with manna: and brought thee into a land exceeding good, thou hast prepared a Cross for thy Saviour.

Choir. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal: have mercy upon us.

Priests. What could I have done more for thee that I have not done? I planted thee indeed, My choicest vine, and thou hast become unto Me exceeding bitter: thou gavest vinegar to quench My thirst, and pierced with a lance the Side of Thy Saviour.

*Choir.** Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal: have mercy upon us.

Priests. For thy sake I

* At the conclusion of this Response, the Reproaches, according to Sarum ended; according to Roman Use they were continued.

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scourged Egypt with its first born: and thou didst deliver Me to be scourged.

Choir. O My people, what have I done unto thee? or wherein have I wearied thee? Answer Me.

Priests. I brought thee out of Egypt, drowning Pharaoh in the Red Sea: and thou didst deliver me to the chief priests.

Choir. O My people.

Priests. I opened the sea before thee: and thou openedst My Side with a spear.

Choir. O My people.

Priests. I went before thee in a pillar of cloud; and thou leddest Me before Pilate's judgment seat.

Choir. O My people.

Priests. I fed thee with manna in the desert: and thou didst fall on Me with swords and staves.

Choir. O My people.

Priests. I gave thee to drink of the Water of Salvation from the Rock: and thou gavest Me gall and vinegar.

Choir. O My people.

Priests. For thee I smote the kings of the Canaanites: and thou didst smite My Head with a reed.

Choir. O My people.

Priests. I gave thee a royal sceptre: and thou gavest My Head a crown of thorns.

Choir. O My people.

Priests. I exalted thee to great honour: and thou didst lift Me up upon the gibbet of the Cross.

Choir. O my people.

¶ *Then the priests uncovering the Cross by the Altar on the right side, sing this Antiphon.*

Behold the wood of the Cross, on which hung the Saviour of the world. O come, let us worship.

¶ *The Choir sing the following Antiphon and Psalm* lxvii., *without* Glory be,* *repeating the Antiphon after each verse.*

We venerate Thy Cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify Thy holy Resurrection: for behold, through the Tree joy hath come to the whole world.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us: and shew us the light of His countenance, and be merciful unto us.

That Thy way may be known upon earth: Thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise Thee, O God: yea, let all the people praise Thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad: for Thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise Thee, O God: let all the people praise Thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God, even our own God, shall give us His blessing.

* According to Roman use, only the first verse of the Psalm is sung.

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God shall bless us: and all the ends of the world shall fear Him.

We venerate.

¶ **In the meanwhile the priest, or those holding the Cross before, places the Cross upon the third step of the Altar; the Clergy, beginning with those of the highest rank, draw near and venerate the Cross: they return to their seats at the Epistle side of the Altar, and recite what follows. The people then approach and venerate the Cross.*

¶ *After the Ant. and Ps. are ended, this hymn is sung: the verse* Faithful Cross *is sung by the aforesaid priests, who sang the verses of the Reproaches, the Choir repeating it after each verse.*

Priests. Faithful Cross! above all other one and only noble Tree! None in foliage, none in blossom, none in fruit thy peers may be! ℣. Sweetest Wood and Sweetest Iron! Sweetest Weight is hung on thee!

Choir.‡ Faithful Cross! *to be sung in full by the Choir.*

Priests. Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle with completed victory rife: and above the Cross's trophy tell the triumph of the strife: how the world's Redeemer conquered, by surrendering of His Life.

Choir. Faithful Cross.

Priests. God his Maker, sorely grieving that the first-made Adam fell, when he ate the fruit of sorrow, whose reward was death and hell, noted then this Wood, the ruin of the ancient wood to quell.

Choir. Faithful Cross.

Priests. For the work of our salvation needs would have his order so, and the multiform deceiver's art by art would overthrow, and from thence would bring the med'cine whence the insult of the foe.

Choir. Faithful Cross.

Priests. Wherefore, when the sacred fulness of th' appointed time was come, this world's Maker left His Father, sent the heavenly mansion from, and proceeded, God Incarnate, of the Virgin's holy womb.

Choir. Faithful Cross.

Priests. Lo, He lies, an

* When we prostrate ourselves or kneel before the Cross, it is Jesus Christ Whom we worship, and it is in Him that all our devotion and worship, our veneration and adoration have their end. The Church exposes the instrument of the Passion, the Sign of the Son of Man, only to raise our hearts to Him, Who died for us.

‡ *The Roman Use directs that the V.* Faithful Cross *as far as the words* peers may be *shall be sung, alternately with the V.* Sweetest Wood *after each verse of the hymn. Compare the Service for this day as given in the* Ceremonies for Candlemas, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week, and Easter.

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Infant weeping, where the narrow manger stands, while the Mother-Maid His members wraps in mean and lowly bands, and the swaddling clothes is winding round His helpless Feet and Hands.

Choir. Faithful Cross.

Priests. Thirty years among us dwelling, His appointed time fulfilled, born for this, He meets His Passion, for that this He freely willed: on the Cross the Lamb is lifted, where His life-blood shall be spilled.

Choir. Faithful Cross.

Priests. He endured the nails, the spitting, vinegar, and spear, and reed; from that Holy Body broken Blood and Water forth proceed: earth, and stars, and sky, and ocean, by that flood from stain are freed.

Choir. Faithful Cross.

Priests. Bend thy boughs, O Tree of glory! thy relaxing sinews bend; for awhile the ancient rigour, that thy birth bestowed, suspend; and the King of heavenly beauty on thy bosom gently tend!

Choir. Faithful Cross.

Priests. Thou alone wast counted worthy this world's ransom to uphold; for a shipwrecked race preparing harbour, like the Ark of old; with the sacred Blood anointed from the smitten Lamb that rolled.

Choir. Faithful Cross.

Priests. To the Trinity be glory everlasting, as is meet: equal to the Father, equal to the Son, and Paraclete: Trinal Unity, Whose praises all created things repeat. Amen.

Choir. Faithful Cross.

¶ *The veneration ended, the Cross is placed back upon the Altar from whence it was taken. The priest puts on his chasuble, the corporal is spread upon the Altar in the accustomed way, and the candles are lighted.*

The Mass of the Presanctified.

¶ *The priest, attended by his ministers, proceeds to the Sepulchre or Altar where the Holy Sacrament was deposited the day before; where having prayed awhile, he censes the Holy Sacrament, and bears the sacred Vessel back to the Altar, in silence; howbeit some Uses direct that the hymn* Vexilla Regis (Hymn 51, Hymnal Noted and Appendix) *shall be sung at this Procession.*

¶ *The priest places the sacred Vessel upon the Altar, censes the Holy Sacrament, then says the Confession and Absolution, with the suffrages and Collect,* Take away from us; *the Sacrifice then is placed upon the Altar in the usual manner, wine and water unblessed being poured into the Chalice, nothing being said. Then he censes the*

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Oblation and Altar with incense unblessed, in the accustomed way, with the words, page 63; the priest is not censed: he washes his hands, saying nothing; then bowing down before the Altar says:

IN the spirit of humility, and with a contrite heart, let us be accepted, O Lord, by Thee: and so let our Sacrifice be in Thy sight to-day, that it may be well pleasing unto Thee, O Lord God.

¶ *Then he says, turning to the people a little on the Gospel side:*

BRETHREN, pray that both my Sacrifice and yours also may be acceptable to God the Father almighty.

¶ *No answer is made; all else omitted, he continues:*

LET us pray. As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Father, Which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation.

℟. But deliver us from evil.

¶ *The priest says* Amen, *and continues, making the accustomed fraction as on other days:*

DELIVER us O, Lord, we beseech Thee, from all evils, past, present, and to come: and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious Ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of God, and of Thy blessed Apostles Peter and and Paul, of Andrew, and of all Saints: mercifully give peace in our time: that we, being, holpen by the aid of Thy mercy, may ever be set free from sin, and safe from all disquiet: through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God. World without end. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Then he puts a particle of the Host in the Chalice, as usual, saying nothing; then proceeds to communicate himself, saying only the words of reception, without previous prayer.*

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ be unto me a sinner the way and the life. Amen.

¶ *And at the reception of the Body and Blood:*

THE Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve us unto everlasting life. Amen.

¶ *Having received the particle of the Host with the wine, he takes the ablutions, and says this prayer in the midst of the Altar:*

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GRANT, O Lord, that what we have taken with our lips, we may keep with a pure heart: so may this temporal gift become unto us everlasting healing.

¶ *Then Vespers are said* (*see page* 134, Day Office of the Church), *the Postcommunion being the Collect*, We beseech Thee, O Lord, look upon this Thy family. *So Mass and Vespers are ended together, nothing more being said.*

¶ *Vespers ended, the priest bears the Lord's Body in the Monstrance or Vessel to the Sepulchre or Chapel of Repose; he begins alone the following Responsory, genuflecting as he does so, and then rising, all others kneeling.*

℟. I am counted as one of them that go down into the pit: I have been even as a man that hath no strength, free among the dead. ℣. Thou hast laid Me in the lowest pit: in a place of darkness, and in the deep. I have been even as a man that hath no strength, free among the dead.

¶ *Then the Vessel being placed in the Tabernacle, and censed, and the door shut, the priest begins, and the Choir takes it up, continuing with the ℣.*

℟. The Lord being buried, *Choir*, the sepulchre was sealed. Rolling a stone to the door of the sepulchre. Setting soldiers to watch it. ℣. Lest peradventure His disciples should come by night and steal Him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead. Setting soldiers to watch it.

¶ *At these three Antiphons the priest kneels: he begins:*

ANT. In peace *the Choir continues* ℣. I will lay Me down, and take My rest.

ANT. In peace is His tabernacle, *Choir* And His dwelling in Sion.

ANT. My Flesh *Choir* shall rest in hope.

¶ *This ended, prayers may be said secretly by any, kneeling, others going back at pleasure, without fixed order; the priest and his ministers return to the Altar, he puts on his chasuble, and departs in the way that he came.*

¶ *From this time one candle at least is kept burning before the Sepulchre, until Easter Morn; however, when the Benedictus is said at Lauds, and during the other things which follow on the next night, it is put out. It is likewise put out on Easter Eve, while the new fire is blessed, until the Paschal Candle is lighted.*

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The Holy Sabbath

COMMONLY CALLED

Easter Even.

THE BLESSING OF THE FIRE.

¶ *All lamps and candles throughout the Church or Chapel, are first extinguished.*

¶ *At the Gospel side of the Altar, there is prepared a large waxen taper of great size, for the Paschal Candle.*

¶ *The priest, vested as for Mass, and if attended by his ministers, they also in dalmatic and tunicle, goes to the west side or principal door of the Church, where he performs the Blessing of the New Fire: first, fire is struck, and a small taper lighted therefrom; the priest says:*

The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O LORD our God, almighty Father, Light that never failest, Creator of every light, graciously hear us Thy servants, and bl✠ess this fire, which is consecrated with Thy hallowing and benediction: Thou Who lightenest every man that cometh into the world, enlighten the consciences of our hearts with the fire of Thy love; that enkindled with Thy fire, enlightened with Thy light, and the darkness of sins being driven from our hearts, we may be worthy, Thou being our brightness, to come to everlasting life; and even as Thou didst cause fire to shine for Moses, Thy servant, by the pillar of fire, which went through the Red Sea; so shine Thou upon our fire, and let the candle which shall be from it enkindled, ever remain blessed to the honour of Thy Majesty; and whosoever shall carry light from it let him be enlightened with the light of spiritual grace. Through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Here holy water is sprinkled upon the fire.*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O LORD, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, vouchsafe to bl✠ess and to hal✠low this fire: which we, although we be unworthy, do presume to bl✠ess, by calling upon the Name of Thine Only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Do Thou, most merciful Father, hallow it with Thy bene✠diction; and grant that it may become meet for the profit of mankind. Through the same. ℟. Amen.

Let us pray.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord ever to prevent us, both

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here and in all places with Thy heavenly light: that the Mystery, of which Thou hast willed we should be partakers, we may with clear light discern, and worthily and effectually receive. Through. ℟. Amen.

¶ *The priest blesses the five grains of incense.**

WE beseech Thee, almighty God, that the plenteous outpouring of Thy bles✠sing may come upon this incense: and do Thou, the invisible Regenerator, kindle the brightness of this night; that not only the Sacrifice, which is offered to-night, may shine with the secret mingling of Thy light; but that wheresoever aught of the mystery of this hallowing shall be carried, there let the power of Thy Majesty be near, and the wickedness and frauds of the devil be driven away. Through Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Then he sprinkles the grains of incense with holy water; and censes the new fire and incense.*

THE PASCHAL PRÆCONIUM.

¶ *The Officiant or deacon, in maniple, stole worn deacon-wise, and dalmatic, takes a taper, lit with the new fire, and goes to the Altar; he stands facing northwards, towards the great candle, the taper is placed near, or held by an acolyte, turned the same way.*

Deacon:

NOW let the Angel hosts of heaven rejoice, with exceeding gladness let the divine Mysteries be celebrated, and for the victory of so great a King let the trumpet of salvation sound.

Let the earth herself be glad, enlightened with such glittering rays, and illumined with the splendour of the eternal King, perceive that the darkness over the whole world is done away.

Let too our Mother Church rejoice, decked with the shining of so great a light, and let this temple resound with the loud voices of the people here.

Wherefore, as ye stand by, dearly beloved brethren, at the so wondrous brightness of this holy light, I pray you, join with me in calling upon the mercy of Almighty God;

That He, Who not for my deservings hath been pleased to gather me into the number of Levites, would pour forth upon me the grace of His light, and enable me fully to declare the praise of this taper.

Through Jesus Christ, His Son, our Lord, Who with Him, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth

* Here, after the manner of Rome and Paris, is given the prayer for blessing the five grains of incense, which are put in the Paschal Candle; the Sarum Use has here three prayers for blessing incense.

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God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit. ℣. Lift up your hearts. ℟. We lift them up unto the Lord. ℣. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. ℟. It is meet and right so to do.

IT is indeed very meet and right, with the whole affection of heart and mind, and with the service of the voice, to proclaim the invisible God Almighty, the Father, and His Only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Who for us paid the debt of Adam to the eternal Father, and blotted out the handwriting of the old transgression with His merciful Blood.

For this is the Feast of the Passover, whereon He the true Lamb is slain, and by His Blood are the door-posts hallowed.

This is the night whereon at first Thou madest our fathers, the children of Israel, when led forth out of Egypt, to pass through the Red Sea dryshod.

This therefore is the night which purged away the darkness of sinners by the light of the pillar of fire.

This is the night which as on this day throughout the whole world, restoreth to grace, and knitteth together in holiness those who believe in Christ, being gathered together apart from the vices of the world, and from the black darkness of sins.

This is the night whereon, when He had broken the bonds of death, Christ ascended up a conqueror from the lower parts.

For naught indeed would it have profited us to have been born, unless we had been redeemed.

O wondrous condescension of Thy loving-kindness towards us!

O inestimable tenderness of love: that to redeem the bondman Thou didst deliver up the Son!

O truly needful sin of Adam and of ourselves, which hath been blotted out by the death of Christ!

O happy fault, which deserved to have such and so great a Redeemer!

O verily blissful night, which alone was counted worthy to know the time and the hour at which Christ rose again from the grave!

This is the night of which it is written: And the night shall be clear as the day; and, The night is brightness to me in my pleasures.

Therefore the sacredness of this night putteth sin to flight, washeth away guilt, and giveth back innocence to the fallen, and joy to the sorrowful; it banisheth hatred, it bringeth about concord, and boweth down dominions.

Therefore, in favour of this night, do Thou receive, O Holy Father,

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¶ *Here the Officiant fixes the five grains of incense, in the form of a Cross, in the Paschal Taper.*

The evening sacrifice of this incense, which the holy Church, at the hands of her ministers, offers to Thee in the solemn oblation of this wax candle, made out of the labour of bees.

But now we know the worthy meaning of the praise of this pillar, which in honour of God the sparkling fire kindleth.

¶ *Here the Candle is lit with the New Fire: the other tapers and lamps in the Church are also now lighted.*

Which although it be divided into parts it knoweth no loss by the communication of its light. It is fed by the melting wax, which the parent bee hath made for the substance of this precious taper.

O blissful night, which spoiled the Egyptians, enriched the Hebrews: night wherein things of heaven are joined to things of earth.

We pray Thee, O Lord, that this waxen taper, consecrated in honour of Thy Name may continue without fail to put away the blackness of this night.

Let it be received as a sweet-smelling savour, and mingled with the burning lamps on high.

Let the bright and morning Star find it burning: That morning Star, I say, which never knoweth His going down: He Who coming back again from the grave, with His calm light hath shone upon mankind.

We therefore pray Thee, O Lord, that it may please Thee to preserve us Thy servants, all the clergy, and the most devout people, together with our Father *N.* our Primate, and *N.* our King, also *N.* our Bishop, and to grant us peaceful times in these our Easter joys.

Who ever livest, reignest, rulest, and art glorified, God alone, Thou only, O Jesus Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. ℟. Amen.

¶ *The Paschal Candle burns continually through Easter week at Matins, Mass, and Vespers; and on the Octave Day of Easter. But on all Sundays from the Octave of Easter until the Lord's Ascension, it is only lighted at Mass, also on the Feast of St. Mark the Evangelist, and St. Philip and James, at Mass only. On the Annunciation of B.V.M. and the Invention of the Holy Cross as on the Octave of Easter. Nevertheless according to the Roman Use it is lighted daily through Eastertide, at Matins, Mass, and Vespers, until the end of the Gospel of the Ascension.*

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THE PROPHECIES.

¶ *The priest changing the white chasuble for a violet, or resuming red (according to Sarum custom) goes to the Altar, says* Our Father, *then to the Epistle side, and reads the Prophecies: in the meanwhile if there be a minister assisting, he reads them aloud to the people.*

LESSON I. *Genesis* i., ii. 1, 2.

IN the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said: Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. And God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day. And God said: Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so. And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day. And God said: Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so. And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called He Seas: and God saw that it was good. And God said: Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so. And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good. And the evening and the morning were the third day. And God said: Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night: and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. And God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: He made the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good. And the evening and the morning were the fourth day. And God said: Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving crea-

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ture that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven. And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying: Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth. And the evening and the morning were the fifth day. And God said: Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth after his kind: and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good. And God said: Let Us make man in Our image, after Our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him: male and female created He them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them: Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. And God said: Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat. And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to everything that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so. And God saw everything that He had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had made; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made.

Let us pray.

Collect.

O God, Who didst wonderfully create man, and still more wonderfully redeem him: grant us, we beseech Thee; so to withstand the beguilements of sin with a reasonable mind, that we may be counted worthy to attain unto everlasting joys. Through. Who liveth.

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LESSON II. *Exodus* xiv. 24.

AND it came to pass, that in the morning watch the Lord looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians, and took off their chariot wheels, that they drave them heavily; so that the Egyptians said: Let us flee from the face of Israel: for the Lord fighteth for them against the Egyptians. And the Lord said unto Moses: Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen. And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to his strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the Lord overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, and all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them; there remained not so much as one of them. But the children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day out of the hands of the Egyptians: and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore. And Israel saw that great work which the Lord did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared the Lord, and believed the Lord, and His servant Moses. Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the Lord, and spake, saying:

TRACT. I will sing unto the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea: the Lord is my strength, and my song, and He is become my salvation. ℣. He is my God, and I will prepare Him an habitation: my father's God, and I will exalt Him. ℣. The Lord is a man of war: the Lord is His Name. *Exodus* xx. 1—3.

Let us pray.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Whose wonders of old time are glorious even in these our days: inasmuch as Thou dost still stretch forth the right hand of Thy power for the working out of salvation of all nations, by the water of regeneration; even as Thou didst for one people only, by delivering them from Egyptian bondage: grant, we beseech Thee; that the fulness of the whole world may become the children of Abraham, and may pass over into the high estate of Thy people Israel. Through.

LESSON III. *Isaiah* iv.

AND in that day seven women shall take hold of one Man, saying: We will

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eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be called by Thy Name, to take away our reproach. In that day shall the branch of the Lord be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel. And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Sion, and he that remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called Holy, even every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem: when the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Sion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the Spirit of judgment, and by the Spirit of burning. And the Lord will create upon every dwelling place of mount Sion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be a defence. And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the daytime from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain.

TRACT. My well-beloved hath a vineyard: in a very fruitful hill. ℣. And He fenced it, and gathered out the stones thereof: and planted it with the choicest vine, and built a tower in the midst of it. ℣. And also made a winepress therein: for the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel. *Is.* v. 1.

Let us pray.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who, in the pages of both Testaments, hast taught us to celebrate the Feast of the Passover: grant us such a right understanding of Thy mercies, that by partaking of Thy present gifts; we may have a sure and certain hope of the good things to come. Through.

LESSON IV. *Deut.* xxxi. 22.

MOSES therefore wrote this song the same day, and taught it the children of Israel. And he gave Joshua the son of Nun a charge, and said: Be strong and of a good courage: for thou shalt bring the children of Israel into the land which I sware unto them: and I will be with thee. And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this law in a book, until they were finished, that Moses commanded the Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of the Lord, saying: Take this book of the law, and put it in the side of the ark of the covenant of the Lord your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee. For I know thy rebellion, and thy stiff neck: behold, while I am yet alive with you this day, ye have been rebellious against the Lord; and how much more after my death?

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Gather unto me all the elders of your tribes, and your officers, that I may speak these words in their ears, and call heaven and earth to record against them. For I know that after my death ye will utterly corrupt yourselves, and turn aside from the way which I have commanded you: and evil will befall you in the latter days; because ye will do evil in the sight of the Lord, to provoke Him to anger through the work of your hands. And Moses spake in the ears of all the congregation of Israel the words of this song, until they were ended.

TRACT. Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak: and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth. ℣. My doctrine shall drop as the rain: my speech shall distil as the dew. ℣. As the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass: because I will publish the Name of the Lord. ℣. Ascribe ye greatness unto our God: He is the Rock, His work is perfect, for all His ways are judgments. ℣. A God of truth, and without iniquity: just and right is the Lord. *Deut.* xxxii. 1.

Let us pray.

O GOD, Who dost continually multiply Thy Church, by the calling of the Gentiles: mercifully grant; that those whom Thou hast washed in the waters of Baptism, may ever be defended by Thy never-failing protection. Through Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Here anciently followed the Blessing of the Font, and the Baptism of such as were presented.*

THE LITANY.

¶ *The Prophecies and Collects ended, the priest puts off his chasuble, and vests in a cope; if he says the Litany he kneels, if it is sung by the chanters, he stands, in the midst of the Altar.*

LORD, have mercy upon us: *Christ have mercy upon us:* Lord, have mercy upon us. O Christ, hear us: *O Christ graciously hear us.*

O God the Father, of Heaven,
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
O God the Holy Ghost,
O Holy Trinity, One God,
O God, the Holy of Holies,
Have mercy upon us.

Be favourable,
Spare us O Lord.
Be favourable,
Graciously hear us, O Lord.

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From all evil,
From all sin,
From Thy wrath,
From a sudden and unprepared death,
From the snares of the devil,
From anger, and hatred, and all evil will,
From the spirit of fornication,
From lightning and tempest,
From the scourge of earthquake,
From pestilence, famine, and war,
From everlasting death,
By the mystery of Thy holy Incarnation,
By Thine Advent,
By Thy Nativity,
By Thy Baptism and holy Fasting,
By Thy Cross and Passion,
By Thy Death and Burial,
By Thy holy Resurrection,
By Thy wonderful Ascension,
By the coming of the Holy Ghost the Comforter.
In the day of judgment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech Thee to hear us, and that it may please Thee to spare us.
That it may please Thee to pardon us,
That it may please Thee to bring us to true repentance,

We beseech Thee to hear us.

That it may please Thee to give us remission of all our sins,
That it may please Thee to govern and preserve Thy holy Church,
That it may please Thee to lift it up for ever,
That it may please Thee to keep the Bishops, and all orders of the Church in holy religion,
That it may please Thee to humble the enemies of holy Church,
That it may please Thee to bring into the way of salvation all those that err,
That it may please Thee to show the light of Thy truth to all those who are deceived by Jewish unbelief or heretical error,
That it may please Thee to give true peace and concord to Christian kings and princes,
That it may please Thee to grant peace and unity to all Christian people,
That it may please Thee to strengthen and preserve us in Thy holy service,
That it may please Thee to lift up our minds to heavenly desires,
That it may please Thee to give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity,
That it may please Thee to reward with eternal blessings all our benefactors,
That it may please Thee to deliver our souls, and

We beseech Thee to hear us.

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the souls of our brethren, kinsfolk, and benefactors, from everlasting damnation,

That it may please Thee to give and preserve to our use the fruits of the earth,

That it may please Thee to preserve all Christian people, redeemed with Thy precious Blood,

That it may please Thee to bring us to everlasting joys,

That it may please Thee to grant eternal rest to all the faithful departed,

That it may please Thee graciously to hear us,

Son of God,

We beseech Thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: *Spare us, good Lord.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: *Graciously hear us, O Lord.*

O Lamb of God, That takest away the sins of the world: *Grant us Thy peace.*

O Christ, hear us: *O Christ, graciously hear us.*

¶ *When the words* We sinners do beseech Thee to hear us *have been said, the frontal is removed from the Altar, which is clothed in white, the ornaments are set upon it, the candles are lit: the priest vests himself in white vestments, for the Mass of Easter Eve, saying the Psalm Judica with the Gloria, after the accustomed manner, beginning directly the Litany is ended.*

¶ *No Introit is said, but immediately after the priest has ascended the Altar, he begins the Kyrie; the Altar is censed. Here the Gloria in excelsis would anciently be said, during which the black capes are taken] off, and the bells are rung. The priest then proceeds to the Collect in the usual way, with* The Lord be with you, *and* Let us pray.

COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of Thy blessed Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with Him; and that through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection. For His merits, Who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Who liveth.

* COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost enlighten this most holy night with the glory of the resurrection of the Lord: preserve in the new offspring of Thy family the Spirit of adoption, which Thou hast given them; that being renewed both in body and mind, they may shew unto Thee a pure and acceptable service. Through the same.

* This second Collect, Epistle, and Gospel from the Sarum Book were those appointed to be read on this day.

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EPISTLE. 1 *St. Peter* iii. 17.

IT is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well-doing, than for evil-doing. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit. By which also He went and preached unto the spirits in prison; which sometime were disobedient, when once the long-suffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing; wherein few, that is, eight souls, were saved by water. The like figure whereunto, even baptism, doth also now save us, not the putting away the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience towards God; by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto Him.

* EPISTLE. *Colossians* iii. 1.

BRETHREN, if ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ Who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is gracious: because His mercy endureth for ever. Alleluia. *Ps.* cxviii. 1.

TRACT. O praise the Lord, all ye heathen: praise Him, all ye nations. ℣. For His merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us, and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. *Ps.* cxvii.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxvii. 57.

WHEN the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathæa, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple. He went to Pilate, and begged the Body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the Body to be delivered. And when Joseph had taken the Body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock; and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed. And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre. Now the next day that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, saying: Sir, we remember that that Deceiver said, while He was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest His disciples come by night and steal Him away, and say unto the peo-

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ple, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first. Pilate said unto them: Ye have a watch; go your way, make it as sure as ye can. So they went and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch.

* GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xxviii. 1.

IN the end of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre. And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the Angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. His countenance was like lightning, and His raiment white as snow. And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men. And the Angel answered and said unto the women: Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly, and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead; and, behold, He goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see Him: lo, I have told you.

¶ *The Creed is not said, nor the Offertory, but, the Gospel ended, the priest says,* The Lord be with you, *and* Let us pray, *and then goes on to the oblation.*

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to accept the prayers of Thy people, with their offerings and oblations: that as by these things we do begin to celebrate the Mysteries of Easter, so by Thine operation, they may profit us for everlasting healing. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 69.

¶ *The Agnus Dei is not said. As soon as the priest has taken the last ablution, Vespers are said, see page* 135, *Day Office of the Church.*

¶ *If Vespers are not said the following Collect serves for the Postcommunion, otherwise it is said as the Collect of Vespers.*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit. Let us pray.

O LORD, pour forth upon us the Spirit of Thy love: that of Thy lovingkindness Thou mayest make us to be of one mind, whom Thou hast refreshed and satisfied with these Paschal Sacraments. Through.

¶ *Then saying* The Lord be with you, *he ends Mass and Vespers together, with the accustomed Blessing, or with the form of dismissal,* Go, the Mass is ended, Alleluia, alleluia.
℟. Thanks be to God, Alleluia, alleluia. *The remainder of the Mass as usual.*

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The Holy Feast of the Passover,

COMMONLY CALLED

Easter Day.

THE EASTER PROCESSION.

¶ *On Easter Day, before Mass, the Clergy, with candle and incense bearers, go to the Sepulchre, and after censing it, with great veneration, kneeling, the Lord's Body is placed upon the Altar. They then go in procession; in the meanwhile this Respond is sung.*

CHRIST being raised from the dead, dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over Him. For in that He liveth, He liveth unto God. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Now let the Jews declare, how the soldiers who kept guard at the sepulchre, lost the King when the stone was put there, why did they not keep the Rock of righteousness; let them either bring Him Who was buried, or worship Him Who is risen, saying with us: *The Choir answers*: Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. The Lord is risen from the grave. ℟. As He said unto us, alleluia.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, Who through, *page* 331.

¶ *The Lord's Body is then placed in the Tabernacle.*

¶ *If there be a Procession before Mass the following Prose is sung:*

Salve, festa dies.

HAIL! Festal Day! for evermore ador'd, wherein God conquer'd hell, and upward soar'd! *Repeat*, Hail! Festal day! for evermore ador'd.

See, the world's beauty, budding forth anew, shews with the Lord His gifts returning too! Wherein, &c.

The earth with flow'rs is deck'd,—the sky serene; the heav'nly portals glow with brighter sheen. Hail, &c.

The greenwood leaves, the flowering meadows tell of Christ, triumphant over gloomy hell, Wherein, &c.

The power of Satan crush'd, He seeks the skies; from earth, light, stars, and ocean, anthems rise! Hail, &c.

The Crucified reigns God for evermore; their Maker all created things adore. Wherein, &c.

Christ, Who didst fashion man and hast re-won, the eternal Father's Sole-begotten Son; Hail, &c.

When death and hell the human race o'erran, Thou, man to save, Thyself becamest man. Wherein, &c.

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AT THE MASS.

INTROIT. *Resurrexi.*

WHEN I wake up, I am present with Thee, alleluia: Thou hast laid Thine hand upon Me, alleluia: such knowledge is too wonderful for Me, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* cxxxix.

PSALM. O Lord, Thou hast searched Me out, and known Me: Thou knowest My down-sitting, and Mine uprising (*v.* 1). Glory. When I.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who through Thine Only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: we humbly beseech Thee; that as by Thy special grace preventing us Thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by Thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect. Through.

EPISTLE. *Colossians* iii. 1.

IF ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth: for ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, Who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory. Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: for which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience. In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

GRADUAL. This is the Day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it. ℣. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is gracious: because His mercy endureth for ever. *Ps.* cxviii.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. 1 *Cor.* v. 7.

SEQUENCE. To the Paschal Victim, Christians, bring the sacrifice of praise. The Lamb the sheep hath ransomed; Christ, the undefiled, sinners to His God and Father hath reconciled. Death and Life, in wondrous strife, came to conflict sharp and sore. Life's Monarch, He that died, now dies no more. What thou sawest, Mary, say, as thou wentest on the way. I saw the slain One's earthly prison: I saw the glory of the Risen: the witness-angels by the cave: and the garments of the grave. The Lord, my hope, hath risen, and He shall go before to Galilee. We know that Christ is risen from death indeed: Thou victor Monarch, for Thy suppliants plead. Amen. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xx. 1.

THE first day of the week cometh Mary Magda-

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lene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre. Then she runneth and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them: They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid Him. Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. So they ran both together; and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre; and he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying: yet went he not in. Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie; and the napkin that was about His head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. Then went in also that other disciple which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed. For as yet they knew not the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead. Then the disciples went away again unto their own home. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The earth trembled, and was still, when God arose to judgment, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxvi. 8.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to accept the prayers of Thy people, with their offerings and oblations: that as by these things we do begin to celebrate the Mysteries of Easter, so by Thine operation they may profit us for everlasting healing. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 69.

COMMUNION. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, alleluia: therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. 1 *Cor.* v. 7, 8.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, pour forth upon us the Spirit of Thy love: that of Thy lovingkindness Thou mayest make us to be of one mind, whom Thou hast refreshed and satisfied with these Paschal Sacraments. Through.

Monday in Easter Week

INTROIT. *Introduxit vos.*

THE Lord hath brought you into a land flowing with milk and honey, alleluia: that the law of the Lord may always be in your mouth, alleluia, alleluia. *Ex.* xiii. 5.

PSALM. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is gracious: because His mercy endureth for ever (cxviii. 1). Glory. The Lord.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who through Thy Only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlast-

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ing life: we humbly beseech Thee; that, as by Thy special grace preventing us, Thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by Thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect. Through.

Or this:

O GOD, Who by the Paschal Solemnity hast brought to pass the restoration of the world: assist Thy people, we beseech Thee, with Thy heavenly gift; that they may be worthy to attain to perfect freedom, and also advance towards everlasting life. Through.

LESSON. *Acts* x. 34.

PETER opened his mouth, and said: Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons; but in every nation he that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with Him. The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ; He is Lord of all; that word I say ye know, which was published throughout all Judæa, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost, and with power; Who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with Him. And we are witnesses of all things which He did, both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; Whom they slew, and hanged on a tree: Him God raised up the third day, and shewed Him openly; not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with Him after He rose from the dead. And He commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To Him give all the prophets witness, that through His Name whosoever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins.

GRADUAL. This is the Day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice, and be glad in it. ℣. Let Israel now confess, that He is gracious: and that His mercy endureth for ever. *Ps.* cxviii. 24.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Did not our hearts burn within us, while Jesus talked with us by the way? *St. Luke* xxiv. 32.

SEQUENCE. To the Paschal Victim, *page* 331.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xxiv. 13.

BEHOLD, two of His disciples went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs. And they talked together of all these things which had happened. And it came to pass, that while they communed together, and reasoned, Jesus Himself drew

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near, and went with them. But their eyes were holden, that they should not know Him. And He said unto them: What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad? And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering, said unto Him: Art Thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days? And He said unto them: What things? And they said unto Him: Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, Who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word, before God and all the people: and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and have crucified Him. But we trusted that it had been He Which should have redeemed Israel: and besides all this, to-day is the third day since these things were done. Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; and when they found not His body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of Angels, which said that He was alive. And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found it even so as the women had said; but Him they saw not. Then He said unto them: O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into His glory? And beginning at Moses, and all the prophets, He expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. And they drew nigh unto the village whither they went; and He made as though He would have gone further: but they constrained Him, saying: Abide with us, for it is towards evening, and the day is far spent. And He went in to tarry with them. And it came to pass, as He sat at meat with them, He took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew Him, and He vanished out of their sight. And they said one to another: Did not our heart burn within us, while He talked with us by the way, and while He opened to us the Scriptures? And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, saying: The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon. And they told what things were done in the way, and how He was known of them in breaking of bread. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The Angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and said to the women: Whom seek ye? He is risen, as He said, alleluia. *St. Mark* xvi. 6, 7.

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SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, as we offer unto Thee our Easter oblations: that we may both perceive and know the good effect of that which we do often perform in deed. Through Him Who rose again from the dead, Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord. Who liveth.

COMMUNION. The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Peter, alleluia. *St. Luke* xxiv. 34.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the holy offering of the Easter Sacrament have its full effect in us: and carry us away from earthly affections to a heavenly purpose. Through.

Tuesday in Easter Week

INTROIT. *Aqua sapientiæ.*

SHE hath given them the water of wisdom to drink, alleluia: they shall be stayed upon her, and shall not be moved, alleluia: and she shall exalt them for evermore, alleluia, alleluia. *Ecclus.* xv. 3.

PSALM. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is gracious: because His mercy endureth for ever (cxviii. 1). Glory. She hath given.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who through Thy Only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: we humbly beseech Thee; that, as by Thy special grace preventing us Thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by Thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect. Through.

Or this:

O GOD, Who dost alway multiply Thy Church with new offspring: grant unto Thy servants; that they may hold fast in their lives the Mystery, which by faith they have received. Through.

LESSON. *Acts.* xiii. 26.

MEN and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this salvation sent. For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew Him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every Sabbath-day, they have fulfilled them in condemning Him. And though they found no cause of death in Him, yet desired they Pilate that He should be slain. And when they had fulfilled all that was written of Him, they took Him down from the Tree, and laid Him in a sepulchre. But God raised Him from the dead: and He was seen many days of them which came up with Him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are His witnesses unto

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the people. And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the fathers, God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that He hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second Psalm: Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten Thee. And as concerning that He raised Him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, He said on this wise: I will give you the sure mercies of David. Wherefore He saith also in another Psalm: Thou shalt not suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption. For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption: but He Whom God raised again saw no corruption. Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this Man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins: and by Him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses. Beware therefore, lest that come upon you which is spoken of in the prophets: Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.

GRADUAL. This is the Day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice, and be glad in it. ℣. Let them give thanks whom the Lord hath redeemed: and delivered them from the hand of the enemy, and gathered them out of the lands. *Ps.* cxviii. 24; cvii. 2.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Jesus our Lord is risen: and standing in the midst of His disciples, He said unto them: Peace be unto you. *St. Luke* xxiv. 36.

SEQUENCE. To the Paschal Victim, *page* 331.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xxiv. 36.

JESUS Himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them: Peace be unto you. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. And He said unto them: Why are ye troubled, and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I myself: handle Me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see Me have. And when He had thus spoken, He shewed them His hands and His feet. And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, He said unto them: Have ye here any meat? And they gave Him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honey-comb. And He took it, and did eat before them. And He said unto them: These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with

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you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the law of Moses, and in the Prophets, and in the Psalms concerning Me. Then opened He their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures, and said unto them: Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His Name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The Lord also thundered out of heaven: and the Highest gave His thunder: and the springs of waters were seen, alleluia. *Ps.* xviii. 13.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, O Lord, the prayers of Thy Church, that rejoiceth in the grace of her redemption: that she may be fed both by faith in these present gifts, and also by a firm belief in Thy resurrection. Who livest.

COMMUNION. If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, alleluia: where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God, alleluia: set your affection on things above, alleluia. *Col.* iii. 1, 2.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let these Mysteries which we have received hallow us: and make us able worthily to keep the Feast of Easter. Through.

Wednesday in Easter Week.

INTROIT. *Venite, benedicti.*

COME, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom, alleluia: prepared for you from the foundation of the world, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *St. Matt.* xxv. 34.

PSALM. O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth (xcvi). Glory. Come, ye.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who makest us glad with the yearly festival of the Resurrection of the Lord: mercifully grant; that we, who do celebrate these festivals here upon earth, may be worthy to come at last to eternal joys in heaven. Through the same.

LESSON. *Acts* iii. 12.

PETER answered unto the people: Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk? The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified His Son Jesus; Whom ye delivered up, and denied Him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let

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Him go. But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you: and killed the Prince of life, Whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses. And now, brethren, I wot that through ignorance ye did it, as did also your rulers. But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all His prophets, that Christ should suffer, He hath so fulfilled. Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord.

GRADUAL. This is the Day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice, and be glad in it. ℣. The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass. *Ps.* cxviii. 24.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord is risen, and when He met the women, He said unto them, All hail: and they came and held Him by the feet, and worshipped Him. *St. Matt.* xxviii. 9.

SEQUENCE. To the Paschal Victim, *page* 331.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xxi. 1.

JESUS shewed Himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias: and on this wise shewed He Himself. There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two other of His disciples. Simon Peter saith unto them: I go a fishing. They say unto Him: We also go with thee. They went forth, and entered into a ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing. But when the morning was now come, Jesus stood on the shore: but the disciples knew not that it was Jesus. Then Jesus saith unto them: Children, have ye any meat? They answered Him: No. And He said unto them: Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find. They cast therefore, and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes. Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved saith unto Peter: It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he girt his fisher's coat unto him, for he was naked, and did cast himself into the sea. And the other disciples came in a little ship: for they were not far from land, but as it were two hundred cubits, dragging the net with fishes. As soon then as they were come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread. Jesus saith unto them: Bring of the fish which ye have now caught. Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty and

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three: and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken. Jesus saith unto them: Come and dine. And none of the disciples durst ask Him: Who art Thou? knowing that it was the Lord? Jesus then cometh, and taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish likewise. This is now the third time that Jesus shewed Himself to His disciples, after that He was risen from the dead. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The Lord opened the doors of heaven; and rained down Manna also upon them for to eat: and gave them Food from heaven: so man did eat Angels' Food, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxviii. 23.

SECRET.

LET the Sacrifice, O Lord, which we offer unto Thee in this our Easter gladness, obtain for us the gift of Thy favour: whereby Thy Church is wondrously fed and nourished. Through.

COMMUNION. Christ being raised from the dead, dieth no more, alleluia: death hath no more dominion over Him, alleluia, alleluia. *Rom.* vi. 9.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that being purged from the old Adam, we may be transformed into a new creature, by the reverent receiving of Thy Sacrament. Through.

Thursday in Easter Week.

INTROIT. *Victricem manum.*

THE righteous, O Lord, with one accord have magnified Thine hand, that fought for them, alleluia: for Wisdom opened the mouth of the dumb, and made the tongues of them that cannot speak eloquent, alleluia, alleluia. *Wisd.* x. 20.

PSALM. O sing unto the Lord a new song: for He hath done marvellous things (xcviii). Glory. The righteous.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast united divers nations in the one confession of Thy Name: grant unto them that are born again in the Baptismal Font, to have one faith in their minds, and holiness in their actions. Through.

LESSON. *Acts* viii. 26.

THE Angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying: Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert. And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship, was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet. Then the

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Spirit said unto Philip: Go near, and join thyself to this chariot. And Philip ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said: Understandest thou what thou readest? And he said: How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him. The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened He not His mouth: in His humiliation His judgment was taken away: and who shall declare His generation? for His life is taken from the earth. And the eunuch answered Philip, and said: I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man? Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus. And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said: See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? And Philip said: If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said: I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him. And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing. But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Cæsarea.

GRADUAL. This is the Day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice, and be glad in it. ℣. The same stone which the builders refused, is become the head-stone in the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. *Ps.* cxviii. 24.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. In the day of My Resurrection, saith the Lord: I will go before you into Galilee. *St. Matt.* xxviii. 7.

SEQUENCE. To the Paschal Victim, *page* 331.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xx. 11.

MARY stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre, and seeth two Angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the Body of Jesus had lain. And they say unto her: Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them: Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid Him. And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus. Jesus

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saith unto her: Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing Him to be the gardener, saith unto Him: Sir, if Thou have borne Him hence, tell me where Thou hast laid Him, and I will take Him away. Jesus saith unto her: Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto Him: Rabboni; which is to say, Master. Jesus saith unto her: Touch Me not; for I am not yet ascended to My Father: but go to My brethren, and say unto them: I ascend unto My Father, and your Father; and to My God, and your God. Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that He had spoken these things unto her. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The redeemed shall walk there; and the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Sion: with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads, alleluia. *Is.* xxxv. 10.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably to receive the offerings of Thy people: that as they have been born again by Baptism, and the confession of Thy Name, so they may at last attain unto everlasting blessedness. Through.

COMMUNION. But ye are a peculiar people, that ye should shew forth the praises of Him, alleluia: Who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light, alleluia. 1 *St. Pet.* ii. 9.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRACIOUSLY hear our prayers, O Lord, that this most holy partaking of our redemption, may both bring us help in this life present, and also procure for us everlasting joys. Through.

Friday in Easter Week.

INTROIT. *Eduxit eos.*

THE Lord brought them out safely, alleluia: and overwhelmed their enemies with the sea, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxviii. 54,

PSALM. Hear My law, O My people: incline your ears unto the words of My mouth (*v.* 1). Glory. The Lord brought.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast granted that the Paschal Mystery should signify the covenant of man's reconciliation: grant unto our souls, that we may show forth in our lives what we celebrate with our lips. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. Peter* iii. 17.

CHRIST hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: by which also He went and preached unto the spirits in prison; which sometime were disobedient, when once the

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long-suffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls, were saved by water. The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us: not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, Who is on the right hand of God.

GRADUAL. This is the Day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it. ℣. Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord: God is the Lord, Who hath shewed us light. *Ps.* cxviii. 24.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Tell it out among the heathen: that the Lord reigneth from the tree. *Ps.* xcvi. 10.

SEQUENCE. To the Paschal Victim, *page* 331.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xxviii. 16.

THE eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain, where Jesus had appointed them. And when they saw Him, they worshipped Him: but some doubted. And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying: All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. This Day shall be unto you for a memorial, alleluia; and ye shall keep it a feast to the Lord throughout your generations: ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Ex.* xii. 14.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, graciously to receive our oblations: which we bring before Thee as an atonement for the sins of them that are now born again, and for the hastening of Thy heavenly help. Through.

COMMUNION. All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth, alleluia: go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, alleluia, alleluia. *St. Matt.* xxviii. 18.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O God, Who dost beget Thine adopted seed through the remission of sins: grant unto all Thy faithful people; that they may truly apprehend those things, which they have now received in the Sacramental Mysteries. Through.

Low Saturday.

INTROIT. *Eduxit Dominus.*

THE Lord brought forth His people with joy, alleluia: and His chosen with

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gladness, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* cv. 42.

PSALM. O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon His Name: tell the people what things He hath done (*v.* 1). Glory. The Lord.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we who devoutly celebrate the Easter festival, may be enabled to attain to eternal joys. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. Peter* ii. 1.

WHEREFORE laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, as newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby: if so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious. To Whom coming, as unto a living Stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious, ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold I lay in Sion a chief Corner Stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on Him shall not be confounded. Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the Stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, and a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed. But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him Who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light: which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. This is the Day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia. ℣. Praise the Lord, ye servants: O praise the Name of the Lord. Blessed be the Name of the Lord: from this time for evermore. Alleluia. *Ps.* cxviii. 24; cxiii. 1.

¶ *From this day until the Octave of Pentecost, both in the Office of the Season as well as on Saints' Days, in the place of the Gradual two Verses are said with four* Alleluias.

SEQUENCE. To the Paschal Victim, *page* 331.

GOSPEL. **St. Mark* xvi. 1.

AND when the sabbath was past, Mary Magda-

* This Gospel anciently was read on Easter Day, and the Gospel in the English book from St. John xx. was read as on this day.

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lene, and Mary the mother of James and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint Him. And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun. And they said among themselves: Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre? And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great. And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment: and they were affrighted. And he saith unto them: Be not affrighted: ye seek Jesus of Nazareth. Which was crucified: He is risen; He is not here: behold the place where they laid Him. But go your way, tell His disciples and Peter that He goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see Him, as He said unto you. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord; we have wished you good luck, ye that are of the house of the Lord: God is the Lord, Who hath shewed us light, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* cxviii. 26.

SECRET.

GRANT us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, alway to rejoice in the Feast of the Passover: that the continual working out of our restoration may be unto us a source of perpetual joy. Through.

COMMUNION. As many of you as have been baptized into Christ: have put on Christ, alleluia. *Gal.* iii. 27.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that we, who have been quickened by the gift of our redemption, may find hereby such help towards our everlasting salvation, that so true faith may ever increase more and more within us. Through.

First Sunday after Easter, or Low Sunday.

INTROIT. *Quasi modo.*

AS new born babes, alleluia: desire the sincere milk of the word, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. 1 *Pet.* ii. 2.

PSALM. Sing we merrily unto God our strength: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob (lxxxi. 1.) Glory. As new.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY Father, Who hast given Thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may alway serve Thee in pureness of living and truth. Through the merits of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Who.

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¶ *On Sundays from Low Sunday to Ascension Day, the Collect of Easter Day may be said, or the Collect for the Church, or for Peace, see Divers Collects. Or more strictly, on Sundays and week-days, except on Doubles, the Collects are* 1. *of the Sunday;* 2. *of Easter Day;* 3. *of All Saints.*

EPISTLE. 1 *St. John* v. 4.

WHATSOEVER is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? This is He that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood: and it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness in earth, the spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God, which He hath testified of His Son. He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God, hath made him a liar, because he believeth not the record that God gave of His Son. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life; and this life is in His Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son hath not life.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. After eight days, when the doors were shut, Jesus stood in the midst of His disciples, and said: Peace be unto you, alleluia. ℣. The Angel of the Lord descended from heaven: and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it, alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xx. 19.

THE same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut, where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them: Peace be unto you. And when He had so said, He shewed unto them His hands and His side. Then were the disciples glad when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again: Peace be unto you: As My Father hath sent Me, even so send I you. And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and saith unto them: Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whosesoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosesoever sins ye retain, they are retained. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The Angel

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of the Lord descended from heaven, and said to the women: Whom seek ye? He is risen, as He said, alleluia. *St. Matt.* xxviii.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to accept the gifts of Thy rejoicing Church: and as Thou hast given unto her cause for such great joy, grant her to obtain the everlasting fruit of gladness. Through.

COMMUNION. Reach hither thy hand, and behold the print of the nails, alleluia: and be not faithless, but believing, alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* xx. 27.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that Thou wouldest make these most holy Mysteries, which Thou hast given us for the protection of our renewing: to be unto us a healing remedy both now and for evermore. Through.

¶ *Memorial of B.V.M. in Easter-tide.*

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord God, that Thy servants may enjoy continual health of body and soul: that, the gracious Virgin Mary praying for us, we may be delivered from this present heaviness, and have the fruition of eternal gladness. Through.

SECRET.

O Lord, we pray Thee, that this Oblation, by Thy mercy, and at the intercession of Blessed Mary, Ever-Virgin, may bring us an increase of peace and prosperity, both now and always. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee: that we, who have received Thy saving health, may be alway protected by the prayers of Blessed Mary, Ever-Virgin, in whose reverend memory we have offered our gifts unto Thy Majesty. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. I *Cor.* xv. 12–23.

If Christ be preached . . . in his own order.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* xvi. 9–13.

When Jesus . . . . believed they them.

Friday.

EPISTLE. *Hebrews* xiii. 17–21.

Obey . . . . Amen.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xxviii. 8–15.

The women departed . . . until this day.

Second Sunday after Easter.

INTROIT. *Misericordia.*

THE earth is full of the goodness of the Lord, alleluia: by the word of the Lord were the heavens made, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* xxxiii. 5.

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PSALM. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful (*v.* 1). Glory. The earth.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast given Thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life: give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that His inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of His most holy life. Through the same.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. Peter* ii. 19.

THIS is thank-worthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully. For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently; but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently; this is acceptable with God. For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps: Who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth: Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered, He threatened not; but committed Himself to Him that judgeth righteously: Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by Whose stripes ye were healed. For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I am the good Shepherd: and know My sheep, and am known of Mine, alleluia. ℣. The good Shepherd is risen: Who laid down His life for His sheep, alleluia. *St. John* x.

GOSPEL. *St. John* x. 11.

JESUS said: I am the good Shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth; and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good Shepherd, and know My sheep, and am known of Mine. As the Father knoweth Me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down My life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they shall hear My voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O God, Thou art my God, early will I seek Thee: and lift up my hands in Thy Name, alleluia. *Ps.* lxiii.

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SECRET.

LET this holy Oblation, O Lord, alway bestow upon us Thy blessing: that what it sets forth in mystery, it may in power make perfect within us. Through.

COMMUNION. I am the good Shepherd, alleluia: and know My sheep, and am known of Mine, alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* x. 14.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty and merciful God: that we who have received Thy quickening grace may ever make our boast of this Thy gift. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. I *St. Peter* i. 18–25.

Forasmuch . . . endureth for ever.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xxiv. 1–12.

Now upon . . . . . come to pass.

Friday.

EPISTLE. *Romans* v. 18–21.

As by the offence . . . . Christ our Lord.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* ix. 14–17.

Then came . . . . are preserved.

Third Sunday after Easter.

INTROIT. *Jubilate Deo.*

O be joyful in God, all ye lands, alleluia; sing praises unto the honour of His Name, alleluia: make His praise to be glorious, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* lxvi. 1.

PSALM. Say unto God, O how wonderful art Thou in Thy works: through the greatness of Thy power (*v.* 3). Glory. O be joyful.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who shewest to them that be in error the light of Thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Religion; that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same. Through.

EPISTLE. I *St. Peter* ii. 11.

DEARLY beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; having your conversation honest among the Gentiles; that, whereas they speak against you as evil doers, they may, by your good works which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake; whether it be to the King, as supreme; or unto governours, as unto them that are sent by him, for the punishment of evil doers, and for the praise of

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them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well-doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness; but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the King.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. A little while and ye shall not see Me, saith the Lord: and again, a little while and ye shall see Me, because I go to the Father, alleluia. ℣. But I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice: and your joy no man taketh from you, alleluia. *St. John* xvi.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xvi. 16.

JESUS said to His disciples: A little while and ye shall not see Me; and again, a little while and ye shall see Me; because I go to the Father. Then said some of His disciples among themselves: What is this that He saith unto us, A little while and ye shall not see Me; and again, a little while and ye shall see Me; and, Because I go to the Father? They said therefore: What is this that He saith, A little while? we cannot tell what He saith. Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask Him, and said unto them: Do ye enquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while and ye shall not see Me; and again, a little while and ye shall see Me? Verily, verily I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. A woman, when she is in travail, hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world. And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Praise the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord: yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God, alleluia. *Ps.* cxlvi.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that by these Holy Mysteries it may be granted unto us, to decrease in desire of earthly things, and to learn to love those that be heavenly. Through.

COMMUNION. A little while, and ye shall not see Me, alleluia: and again, a little while, and ye shall see Me, because I go to the Father, alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* xvi.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, look upon Thy people: and may it please Thee; to set them free

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from temporal transgressions, whom Thou hast vouchsafed to renew with the Mysteries of eternal life. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 1 *John* ii. 1—8.

Dearly beloved, these things . . . . . light now shineth.

GOSPEL. *St. John* iii. 25–36.

There arose . . . . abideth on him.

Friday.

EPISTLE. 1 *Thess.* v. 5–11.

Ye are all . . . . edify one another.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xii. 46–50.

I am come . . . . so I speak.

Fourth Sunday after Easter.

INTROIT. *Cantate Domino.*

O SING unto the Lord a new song, alleluia; for He hath done marvellous things, alleluia: His righteousness hath He openly shewed in the sight of the heathen, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* xcviii 1.

PSALM. With His own right hand, and with His holy arm: hath He gotten Himself the victory (*v.* 2). Glory. O sing.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: grant unto Thy people, that they may love the thing which Thou commandest, and desire that which Thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found. Through.

EPISTLE. *St. James* i. 17.

EVERY good gift, and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with Whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Of His own will begat He us with the Word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted Word, which is able to save your souls.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I go My way to Him that sent Me: but because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart, alleluia. ℣. I tell you the truth: it is expedient for you that I go away, alleluia. *St. John* xvi.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xvi. 5.

JESUS said unto His disciples: Now I go My way to Him that sent Me, and

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none of you asketh Me: Whither goest Thou? But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you. And when He is come, He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgement: of sin, because they believe not on Me; of righteousness, because I go to My Father, and ye see Me no more; of judgement, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit, when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of Himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak: and He will shew you things to come. He shall glorify Me; for He shall receive of Mine, and shall shew it unto you. All things that the Father hath are Mine: therefore said I, that He shall take of Mine, and shall shew it unto you. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O be joyful in God, all ye lands, sing praises unto the honour of His Name: O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God, and I will tell you what things the Lord hath done for my soul, alleluia. *Ps.* lxvi.

SECRET.

O GOD, Who rising from the dead, when Thy Passion was ended, didst in greater power restore Thyself unto Thy disciples: mercifully grant; that this Paschal Sacrifice may reconcile us to Thy Majesty, and, so that we may be counted worthy to win Thy grace, may make us more ready in all good works. Who.

COMMUNION. When the Comforter, the Spirit of truth, is come: He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgement, alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* xvi.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O Lord, our God, be nigh unto us: that by these things which we have faithfully received, we may be both cleansed from our sins, and delivered from all danger. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. *St. James* ii. 1—13.

Dearly beloved, have not . . . against judgement.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xvii. 11–15.

Holy Father . . . from the evil.

Friday.

EPISTLE. *St. James* ii. 24–26.

Ye see then . . . is dead also.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xiii. 33–36

Little children . . . afterwards.

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Fifth Sunday after Easter.

INTROIT. *Vocem jucunditatis.*

WITH a voice of singing declare ye, tell this, and let it be heard, alleluia: utter it even to the end of the earth: the Lord hath redeemed His people, alleluia, alleluia. *Is.* xlviii. 20.

PSALM. O be joyful in God, all ye lands: sing praises unto the honour of His Name, make His praise to be glorious (lxvi.) Glory. With a voice.

COLLECT.

O LORD, from Whom all good things do come: grant to us Thy humble servants, that by Thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by Thy merciful guiding may perform the same. Through.

EPISTLE. *St. James* i. 22.

BE ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the Word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass. For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed. If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Pure religion, and undefiled before God and the Father, is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in My Name: ask and ye shall receive, alleluia. ℣. Christ is risen, He dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over Him, alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xvi. 23.

VERILY, verily, I say unto you: Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My Name, He will give it you. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in My Name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: the time cometh when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father. At that day ye shall ask in My Name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you: for the Father Himself loveth you, because ye have loved Me, and have believed that I came out from God. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father. His disciples said unto Him: Lo, now

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speakest Thou plainly, and speakest no proverb. Now are we sure that Thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask Thee: by this we believe that Thou camest forth from God. Jesus answered them: Do ye now believe? Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered every man to his own, and shall leave Me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with Me. These things I have spoken unto you, that in Me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O praise our God, ye people, and make the voice of His praise to be heard: Who holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to slip. Praised be God, Who hath not cast out my prayer: nor turned His mercy from me, alleluia. *Ps.* lxvi.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to receive the prayers of Thy faithful people, with the oblations which they now offer unto Thee: and grant; that by these dutiful and devout services, they may pass onward to heavenly glory. Through.

COMMUNION. O sing unto the Lord, alleluia: sing unto the Lord, and praise His Name: be telling of His salvation from day to day, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* xcvi.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee: that we who have been filled with the strength of this heavenly table, may both desire those things that be rightful, and also may receive that which we desire. Through.

Rogation Days.

¶ *Anciently, the Litany was sung processionally on one or all of the Rogation days in every parish, before Mass.*

INTROIT. *Exaudivit.*

HE shall hear my voice out of His holy temple, alleluia: and my complaint shall come before Him, it shall enter even into His ears, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* xviii. 6.

PSALM. I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my stony rock, my defence, and my Saviour (*v.* 1). Glory. He shall hear.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we who in our troubles do trust only in Thy mercy, may, by Thy protection, ever be defended against all adversities. Through.

EPISTLE. *St. James* v. 16.

CONFESS your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be

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healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit. Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him: let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.

Alleluia. ℣. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is gracious: because His mercy endureth for ever. *Ps.* cxviii.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xi. 5.

JESUS said unto His disciples: Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him: Friend, lend me three loaves; for a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him? and he from within shall answer and say: Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee. I say unto you: Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth. And I say unto you: Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?

OFFERTORY. I will give great thanks unto the Lord with my mouth: and praise Him among the multitude; for He shall stand at the right hand of the poor: to save his soul from unrighteous judges, alleluia. *Ps.* cix. 30.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord: that these holy offerings may both unloose the chains of our wickedness, and procure for us the gifts of Thy loving-kindness. Through.

COMMUNION. Ask, and it shall be given unto you: seek, and ye shall find: knock, and it shall be opened unto you; for every one that asketh receiveth, and he that seeketh findeth: and to him that knocketh it shall be opened, alleluia. *St. Luke* xi. 9.

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POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that Thy most gracious favour may ever further our hearty desires: and as in our tribulation we have received Thy gifts, grant us to increase in love of Thee to our great comfort. Through.

Rogation Tuesday.

¶ *The Mass* Salus Populi *may be said to-day. See Masses for divers occasions and memorials.*

Vigil of the Ascension.

INTROIT. *Omnes gentes.*

O CLAP your hands together, all ye people: O sing unto God with the voice of melody, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* xlvii. 1.

PSALM. He shall subdue the people under us: and the nations under our feet (*v.* 3). Glory. O clap.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that the earnest desire of our hearts may ever tend, whither Thine Only-begotten Son our Lord, the glorious Author of the solemn day now at hand, hath already entered in; that so by a holy conversation we may at length attain unto that place unto which we do now by faith reach forward. Through the same.

LESSON. *Acts* iv. 32.

THE multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. And with great power gave the Apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all. Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold. And laid them down at the Apostles' feet, and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need.

Alleluia. ℣. O clap your hands together, all ye people: O sing unto God with the voice of melody. *Ps.* xlvii. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xvii. 1.

THESE words spake Jesus, and lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: Father, the hour is come: glorify Thy Son, that Thy Son also may glorify Thee: as Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as Thou hast given Him. And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, Whom Thou hast sent. I have glorified Thee on the earth: I have finished the work which Thou gavest Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Thou Me with Thine

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own self with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was. I have manifested Thy Name unto the men which Thou gavest Me out of the world: Thine they were, and Thou gavest them Me: and they have kept Thy word. Now they have known that all things whatsoever Thou hast given Me are of Thee. For I have given unto them the words which Thou gavest Me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from Thee, and they have believed that Thou didst send Me. I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which Thou hast given Me: for they are Thine. And all Mine are Thine, and Thine are Mine; and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to Thee.

OFFERTORY. Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus Which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come: in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven, alleluia. *Acts* i. 11.

SECRET.

O Lord, we Thy humble servants bring our Sacrifice before Thee in honour of the worshipful Ascension of Thy Son, whereunto we have now come: grant, we beseech Thee; that through Him, we may by this most holy Communion arise to heavenly places. Who liveth.

COMMUNION. Father, while I was with them in the world: I kept those that Thou gavest Me, alleluia: and now I come to Thee: I pray not that Thou shouldest take them out of the world: but that Thou shouldest keep them from the evil, alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* xvii. 12.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee: that through this Sacrament, which we have now received, our loving devotion may ever reach thither, where with Thee in the substance of our nature is Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth.

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The Ascension of Our Lord.

INTROIT. *Viri Galilæi.*

YE men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? alleluia: this same Jesus shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Acts.* i. 11.

PSALM. O clap your hands together, all ye people: O sing unto God with the voice of melody (xlvii. 1). Glory. Ye men.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that like as we do believe Thy Only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens: so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with Him continually dwell. Who liveth.

LESSON. *Acts* i. 1.

THE former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which He was taken up, after that He through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the Apostles whom He had chosen: to whom also He shewed Himself alive after His passion, by many infallible proofs; being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God: and, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith He, ye have heard of Me. For John truly baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. When they therefore were come together, they asked of Him, saying: Lord, wilt Thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And He said unto them: It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in His own power. But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto Me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæa, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. And when He had spoken these things, while they beheld, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven, as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said: Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like

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manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. God is gone up with a merry noise, and the Lord with the sound of the trump, alleluia. ℣. Christ ascending up on high: led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men, alleluia. *Ps.* xlvii. 5.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* xvi. 14.

JESUS appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen Him after He was risen. And He said unto them: Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved: but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe: In My Name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, He was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the Word with signs following. *The Creed.*

¶ *When the Gospel has been read, the Paschal Candle is put out; and is not again lighted.*

OFFERTORY. God is gone up with a merry noise: and the Lord with the sound of the trump, alleluia. *Ps.* xlvii. 5.

SECRET.

O LORD, accept the Gifts which we offer unto Thee, to commemorate the glorious Ascension of Thy Son: and mercifully grant; that we may be delivered from all present dangers in this time, and so may attain unto life everlasting. Through the same.

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COMMUNION. O sing praises unto the Lord, Who sitteth in the heavens over all from the beginning, alleluia. *Ps.* lxviii. 32.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT to us, we beseech Thee, almighty and merciful God: that those things which we have received in these visible Mysteries, we may also obtain in inward and invisible effect. Through.

¶ *During the Octave, the Service of the Ascension is daily said, but without the Creed; except on Doubles and Semidoubles, when the Service is of the Feast, with Commemoration of the Octave; Simple Feasts are only commemorated.*

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Sunday after Ascension Day.

INTROIT. *Exaudi, Domine.*

HEARKEN unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto Thee, alleluia: my heart hath talked of Thee, Seek ye My face, Thy face, Lord, will I seek: O hide not Thou Thy face from me, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* xxvii. 8.

PSALM. The Lord is my light, and my salvation: whom then shall I fear? (*v.* 1). Glory. Hearken.

COLLECT.

O GOD the King of glory, Who hast exalted Thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto Thy kingdom in heaven: we beseech Thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us Thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before. Who liveth.

¶ *Commemoration of the Ascension.*

EPISTLE. 1 *St. Peter* iv. 7.

THE end of all things is at hand; be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. Use hospitality one to another without grudging. As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God: if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth; that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to Whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon His holy seat, alleluia. ℣. I will not leave you comfortless: I go, and I will come again to you, and your heart shall rejoice, alleluia. *Ps.* xlvii. 8; *St. John* xiv. 18.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xv. 26, *and part of Chapter* xvi.

WHEN the Comforter is come, Whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, Which proceedeth from the Father, He shall testify of Me. And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with Me from the beginning. These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor Me. But these things have I told you, that, when the time shall come,

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ye may remember that I told you of them. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Praise the Lord, O my soul: while I live will I praise the Lord: yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God, alleluia. *Ps.* cxlvi.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that by this Oblation we may make unto Thee a well-pleasing offering of the Body and Blood of Him, Whom we surely believe is also making intercession for us, sitting at the right hand of Thy power, even Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth.

¶ *Commemoration of the Ascension.*

COMMUNION. Father, while I was with them in the world, I kept those that Thou gavest Me, alleluia: and now I come to Thee: I pray not that Thou shouldest take them out of the world: but that Thou shouldest keep them from the evil, alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* xvii. 12.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that by this most holy communion and fellowship, we may assuredly believe; that that shall be done in the body of Thy whole Church, which has already been accomplished in its Head. Through the same.

¶ *Commemoration of the Ascension.*

¶ *On the Octave of the Ascension, the Service is the same as on the day, but without the Creed.*

¶ *On Friday after the Octave of the Ascension, unless a Double or Semidouble fall thereon, the Service is of the Sunday within the Octave, with the commemoration of a Simple Feast, if it occurs.*

The Vigil of Pentecost,

COMMONLY CALLED

Whitsun Eve.

¶ *On this day, the Service was begun with the reading of Lessons, Tracts and Collects, after the manner of Easter Eve; when these were read, no Introit was said; the Font was also blessed, and the Litany said.*

INTROIT. *Cum sanctificatus.*

WHEN I shall be sanctified in you, I will gather you out of all countries: then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean from all your filthiness, and a new spirit will I put within you, alleluia, alleluia. *Ezek.* xxxvi. 23.

PSALM. I will alway give thanks unto the Lord: His praise shall ever be in my mouth (xxxiv. 1). Glory. When I.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that the

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brightness of Thy light may shine upon us: and let the light of Thy light, through the illumination of the Holy Ghost, strengthen the hearts of those who by Thy grace have been born again. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

LESSON. *Acts* xix. 1.

IT came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts, came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples, he said unto them: Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him: We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. And He said unto them: Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said: Unto John's baptism. Then said Paul: John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on Him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. When they heard this, they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them: and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. And all the men were about twelve. And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God.

Alleluia. ℣. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is gracious: and His mercy endureth for ever. *Ps.* cxiii. 1.

Alleluia *is not repeated, but immediately follows the Tract.*

TRACT. O praise the Lord all ye heathen: praise Him all ye nations. ℣. For His merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. *Ps.* cxvii.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xiv. 15 *to verse* 22.

See the Gospel of the Feast, page 363.

¶ *The Creed is not said.*

OFFERTORY. Send forth Thy Spirit and they shall be made, and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth: the glory of the Lord shall endure for ever, alleluia. *Ps.* civ. 30.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, pitifully to behold the Oblations of Thy people: and that they may become acceptable unto Thee, let the healthful coming of the Holy Ghost cleanse our hearts and consciences. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

COMMUNION. In the last day of the feast Jesus said, He that believeth on Me, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water: but this He spake of the Spirit, Which they that believe on

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Him should receive, alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* vii. 37.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that the Holy Ghost in His coming, may glorify the Majesty of Thy Son by manifesting it to us. Through the same. Who liveth . . . in the unity of the same.

¶ *The Gloria in excelsis is said.*

The Feast of Pentecost,

COMMONLY CALLED

Whitsun Day.

INTROIT. *Spiritus Domini.*

THE Spirit of the Lord filleth the world, alleluia: and that which containeth all things hath knowledge of the voice, alleluia, alleluia. *Wisd.* i. 17.

PSALM. Let God arise, and let His enemies be scattered: let them also that hate Him flee before Him (lxviii. 1). Glory. The Spirit.

COLLECT.

GOD, Who as at this time didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort. Through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour. Who . . . in the unity of the same Spirit.

LESSON. *Acts* ii. 1.

WHEN the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues, like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them: and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed, and marvelled, saying one to another: Behold, are not all these which speak Galileans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia,

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and in Judæa, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, and Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews, and Proselytes, Cretes, and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Send forth Thy Spirit and they shall be made: and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth. *Ps.* civ. 30. Alleluia. The Holy Ghost proceeding from the Throne, enlightened the hearts of the Apostles today with invisible power.

SEQUENCE. Come, Thou Holy Paraclete, and from Thy celestial seat send Thy light and brilliancy.

Father of the poor, draw near, Giver of all gifts, be here, come, the soul's true radiancy.

Come, of Comforters the best, of the soul the sweetest guest, come in toil refreshingly.

Thou in labour rest most sweet, Thou art shadow from the heat, comfort in adversity.

O Thou Light, most pure and blest, shine within the inmost breast of Thy faithful company.

Where Thou art not, man hath nought; every holy deed and thought comes from Thy Divinity.

What is soiled, make Thou pure, what is wounded, work its cure, what is parched, fructify.

What is rigid, gently bend, what is frozen warmly tend, straigthen what goes erringly.

Fill Thy faithful, who confide in Thy power to guard and guide, with Thy Sevenfold mystery.

Here Thy grace and virtue send, grant salvation in the end, and in heaven felicity. Amen. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xiv. 15.

JESUS said unto His disciples: If ye love Me, keep My commandments. And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth, Whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but ye know Him; for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth Me no more; but ye see Me: because I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall know, that I am in My Father, and ye in Me, and I in you. He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me; and He that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him. (*Verse* 22) Judas saith unto Him, not Iscariot: Lord, how is it that Thou wilt manifest Thyself

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unto us, and not unto the world? Jesus answered and said unto him: If a man love Me, he will keep My words, and My Father will love him, and We will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth Me not keepeth not My sayings; and the word which ye hear is not Mine, but the Father's Which sent Me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, Whom the Father will send in My Name, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved Me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for My Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it come to pass, that when it is come to pass, ye might believe. Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in Me. But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave Me commandment, even so I do. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Stablish the thing, O God, that Thou hast wrought in us: for Thy temple's sake at Jerusalem, shall Kings bring presents unto Thee, alleluia. *Ps.* lxviii. 28.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, hallow these our Gifts which we offer: and cleanse our hearts by the enlightenment of the Holy Ghost. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 69.

COMMUNION. Suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, where they were sitting, alleluia: and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak the wonderful works of God, alleluia, alleluia. *Acts* ii. 2.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, O Lord, cleanse and purify our hearts: and make them fruitful by the inward sprinkling of the dew of His grace. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

Monday in Whitsun Week.

INTROIT. *Cibavit eos.*

HE fed them also with the finest wheat-flour, alleluia: and with honey out of the stony rock hath He satisfied them, alleluia alleluia. *Ps.* lxxxi. 17.

PSALM. Sing we merrily unto God our strength: make

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a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob (*v.* 1). Glory. He fed.

COLLECT.

GOD, Who as at this time didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort. Through.

Or this:

O GOD, Who didst give the Holy Ghost to Thine Apostles: grant to Thy people a performance of those things which they devoutly pray for; and as Thou hast given unto them faith, so vouchsafe also to grant them peace. Through . . . . . in the unity of the same.

LESSON. *Acts* x. 34.

THEN Peter opened his mouth, and said: Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons; but in every nation he that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with Him. The Word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ; He is Lord of all; that Word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judæa, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost, and with power; Who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with Him. And we are witnesses of all things which He did, both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem: Whom they slew, and hanged on a tree: Him God raised up the third day, and shewed Him openly; not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God; even to us who did eat and drink with Him after He rose from the dead. And He commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is He Which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To Him give all the prophets witness, that through His Name whosoever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins. While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. And they of the circumcision, which believed, were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter: Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? And he commanded them to be baptized in the Name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

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Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be made: and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth. Alleluia. ℣. The Comforter, Which is the Holy Ghost, Whom the Father will send in My Name, He shall teach you all truth. *St. John* xiv. 26.

SEQUENCE. Come Thou Holy Paraclete, *page* 363.

GOSPEL. *St. John* iii. 16.

GOD so loved the world, that He gave His Only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already; because he hath not believed in the Name of the Only-begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The Lord thundered out of heaven, and the Highest gave His thunder: and the springs of waters were seen, alleluia. *Ps.* xviii. 14.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord: that according to the promise of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, the Holy Ghost may both reveal to us more fully the hidden mysteries of this Sacrifice, and mercifully open unto us all truth. Through the same . . . . in the unity of the same.

COMMUNION. The Holy Ghost shall teach you, alleluia: whatsoever I have said unto you, alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* xiv. 26.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to work within us the plenteous healing of our redemption: that we may become a worthy habitation for the Holy Ghost. Through . . . . in the unity of the same.

Tuesday in Whitsun Week.

INTROIT. *Accipite jucunditatem.*

RECEIVE the joyfulness of your glory, alleluia: giving thanks unto God, alleluia: that hath called you to the heavenly kingdom, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. 2 *Esd.* ii. 36.

PSALM. Hear My law, O My people: incline your ears unto the words of My mouth (lxxviii. 1). Glory. Receive.

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COLLECT.

GOD, Who as at this time didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort. Through.

Or this:

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the power of the Holy Ghost be with us: that it may mercifully cleanse our hearts, and defend us from all adversities. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

LESSON. *Acts* viii. 14.

WHEN the Apostles, which were at Jerusalem, heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John; who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: for as yet He was fallen upon none of them; only they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus. Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be made: and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth. Alleluia. ℣. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful: and kindle in them the fire of Thy love.

SEQUENCE. Come, Thou Holy Paraclete, *page* 363.

GOSPEL. *St. John* x. 1.

VERILY, verily I say unto you: He that entereth not by the door into the sheep-fold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep: to him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice, and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And, when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him; for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow; but will flee from him; for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which He spake unto them. Then said Jesus unto them again: Verily, verily I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before Me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door; by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The Lord opened the doors of heaven, and rained down Manna also upon them for to eat: He

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gave them Food from heaven, so man did eat Angels' Food, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxviii. 23—25.

SECRET.

LET the Holy Ghost, O Lord, we beseech Thee, come down upon this Altar: that He may hallow the gifts of Thy people, and mercifully cleanse the hearts of all them that shall receive of the same. Through . . . . in the unity of the same.

COMMUNION. The Spirit which proceedeth from the Father, alleluia: He shall glorify Me, alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* xv. 26.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, that the Holy Ghost may renew our minds by these holy Mysteries: for He is Himself the remission of all our sins. Through . . . . in the unity of the same.

Ember Wednesday in Whitsun Week.

INTROIT. *Deus, dum.*

O GOD, when Thou wentest forth before Thy people, alleluia: when Thou wentest with them, alleluia: dwelling among them, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* lxviii. 7.

PSALM. Let God arise, and let His enemies be scattered: let them also that hate Him flee before Him (v. 1). Glory. O God.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that the Holy Ghost, the Comforter, Which proceedeth from Thee may enlighten our minds; and lead us, as Thy Son hath promised, into all truth. Who liveth . . . in the unity of the same.

LESSON. *Acts* ii. 14.

PETER, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said: Ye men of Judæa, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words: for these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day. But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel: And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: and on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of My Spirit: and they shall prophesy: and I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath: blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: the sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall

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call on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Apostles began to speak with other tongues: the wonderful works of God.

SEQUENCE. Come, Thou Holy Paraclete, *page* 363.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 44.

JESUS said: No man can come to Me, except the Father Which hath sent Me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto Me. Not that any man hath seen the Father, save He Which is of God, He hath seen the Father. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me hath everlasting life. I am that Bread of Life. Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the Bread Which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die. I am the living Bread Which came down from heaven; if any man eat of this Bread, he shall live for ever: and the Bread that I will give is My Flesh, which I will give for the life of the world. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. My delight shall be in Thy commandments which I have loved: my hands also will I lift up unto Thy commandments which I have loved, alleluia. *Ps.* cxix. 47.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, that the Holy Ghost may hallow the gifts which we offer unto Thee: and let the partaking thereof keep us from the defilement of every sin. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

COMMUNION. My peace I give unto you, alleluia: peace I leave with you, alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* xiv. 27.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the everlasting brightness of Thy glory, O Lord, shine upon us by the power of this Mystery: and let the grace of the Holy Ghost, with Thy Son, Who is of one substance with Thee, enlighten us. Through the same . . . in the unity of the same.

Thursday in Whitsun Week.

The Introit, Offertory, and Communion are the same as on Whitsun Day.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty and merciful God: that the Holy Ghost may come upon us, and by His gracious indwelling, make us a temple of His glory. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

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LESSON. *Acts* viii. 5.

PHILIP went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them. And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. And there was great joy in that city.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be made: and Thou shall renew the face of the earth. Alleluia. ℣. Suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind. *Acts* ii.

SEQUENCE. Come, Thou Holy Paraclete, *page* 363.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* ix. 1.

JESUS called His twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases. And He sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick. And He said unto them: Take nothing for your journey, neither staves, nor scrip, neither bread, neither money; neither have two coats apiece. And whatsoever house ye enter into, there abide, and thence depart. And whosoever will not receive you, when ye go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet for a testimony against them. And they departed, and went through the towns, preaching the Gospel, and healing every where. *The Creed.*

SECRET.

LET the power of the Holy Ghost, O Lord, come down upon these our gifts: that He may make that which we dedicate to Thy Name in this solemnity, both to be discerned by us, and also an everlasting benefit. Through . . . in the unity of the the same.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let our faults be cleansed away by these heavenly Sacrifices, through the operation of the Holy Ghost: that we may alway be made ready for Thy gifts. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

Ember Friday in Whitsun Week.

INTROIT. *Repleatur os.*

O let my mouth be filled with Thy praise, alleluia; that I may sing, alleluia: my lips will be fain when I sing unto Thee, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxi.

PSALM. In Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion: but rid me, and deliver me in Thy righteousness (*v.* 1). Glory. O let.

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COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O merciful God, to Thy Church: that it being gathered together in Thy Holy Spirit, may be disturbed by no assaults of the enemy. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

LESSON. *Acts* ii. 22.

PETER said: Ye men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by Him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain: Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that He should be holden of it. For David speaketh concerning Him, I foresaw the Lord always before my face, for He is on my right hand, that I should not be moved: therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope: because Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt Thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption. Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; Thou shalt make me full of joy with Thy countenance.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be made: and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth. Alleluia. ℣. The Spirit of the Lord filleth the world: and that which containeth all things hath knowledge of the voice.

SEQUENCE. Come, Thou Holy Paraclete, *page* 363.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* v. 17.

IT came to pass on a certain day, as Jesus was teaching, that there were Pharisees and doctors of the law sitting by, which were come out of every town of Galilee, and Judæa, and Jerusalem: and the power of the Lord was present to heal them. And, behold, men brought in a bed a man which was taken with a palsy: and they sought means to bring him in, and to lay him before Him. And when they could not find by what way they might bring him in because of the multitude, they went upon the housetop, and let him down through the tiling with his couch into the midst before Jesus. And when He saw their faith, He said unto him: Man, thy sins are forgiven thee. And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying: Who is this which speaketh blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone? But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, He answering said unto them: What reason ye in your hearts? Whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven

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thee; or to say, Rise up and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of Man hath power upon earth to forgive sins, He said unto the sick of the palsy, I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house. And immediately he rose up before them, and took up that whereon he lay, and departed to his own house, glorifying God. And they were all amazed, and they glorified God, and were filled with fear, saying: We have seen strange things to day. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Praise the Lord, O my soul, while I live will I praise the Lord: yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God, alleluia. *Ps.* cxlvi. 1, 2.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let this Sacrifice, offered in Thy sight, be consumed by that same Divine Fire: Which by the Holy Ghost kindled the hearts of the disciples of Thy Christ. Through the same . . . . in the unity of the same.

COMMUNION. The wind bloweth where it listeth: and thou hearest the sound thereof, alleluia: but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth, alleluia, *St. John* iii. 8.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that by receiving of this Sacrament: the weakness of our nature may be so purged from lust; that, by the Holy Ghost, we may feel within ourselves the promised gift of Thy grace. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

Ember Saturday in Whitsun Week.

INTROIT. *Caritas Dei.*

THE love of God is shed abroad in your hearts, alleluia: by His Holy Spirit Which dwelleth in you, alleluia, alleluia. *Rom.* v. 5.

PSALM. O Lord God of my salvation: I have cried day and night before Thee (lxxxviii. 1). Glory. O Lord.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, mercifully pour into our hearts Thy Holy Spirit: by Whose wisdom we were created, and by Whose providence we are governed. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

LESSON. *Acts* xiii. 44.

THE next sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of God. But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spake against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming. Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said: It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing

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ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles. For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth. And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed. And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region. But the Jews stirred up the devout and honourable women, and the chief men of the city, and raised persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their coasts. But they shook off the dust of their feet against them, and came unto Iconium. And the disciples were filled with joy, and with the Holy Ghost.

Alleluia. ℣. O praise the Lord, all ye heathen: praise Him, all ye nations. *Ps.* cxvii.

SEQUENCE. Come, Thou Holy Paraclete, *page* 363. *At the end* Alleluia *is not said.*

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* iv. 38.

JESUS arose out of the synagogue, and entered into Simon's house. And Simon's wife's mother was taken with a great fever; and they besought Him for her. And He stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it left her: and immediately she arose and ministered unto them. Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto Him; and He laid His hands on every one of them, and healed them. And devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying: Thou art Christ the Son of God. And He rebuking them, suffered them not to speak: for they knew that He was Christ. And when it was day, He departed and went into a desert place: and the people sought Him, and came unto Him, and stayed Him that He should not depart from them. And He said unto them, I must preach the kingdom of God, to other cities also: for therefore am I sent. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O Lord God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before Thee: O let my prayer enter into Thy presence, O Lord, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxxviii. 1, 2.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, to send the Holy Ghost: that by His presence He may make these gifts to become unto us Thy Sacrament, and also purify our hearts to receive the same. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

COMMUNION. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come again to you, alleluia, and your heart shall rejoice, alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* xiv.

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POSTCOMMUNION.

LET these Thy Holy Things, O Lord, bestow upon us the fervour of divine love: that so we may be gladdened by the celebration of the same, as well as by the fruit thereof. Through.

Trinity Sunday.

INTROIT. *Benedicta sit.*

BLESSED be the Holy Trinity, and the Undivided Unity: we will give thanks to Him, for He hath shewn His mercy upon us. *Tob.* xii.

PSALM. Let us bless the Father and the Son: with the Holy Ghost. Glory. Let us bless.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast given unto us Thy servants grace by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity: and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity; we beseech Thee, that Thou wouldest keep us stedfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities. Who livest and reignest, one God, world without end.

LESSON. *Revelation* iv. 1.

AFTER this I looked, and behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter. And immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne was set in heaven, and One sat on the throne: and He that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. And round about the throne were four and twenty seats; and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold: and out of the throne proceeded lightnings, and thunderings, and voices. And there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven spirits of God. And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts, full of eyes before and behind. And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle. And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes

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within: and they rest not day and night, saying: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, Which was, and is, and is to come. And when those beasts give glory, and honour, and thanks, to Him That sat on the throne, Who liveth for ever and ever, the four and twenty elders fall down before Him That sat on the throne, and worship Him That liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying: Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory, and honour, and power; for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created.

GRADUAL. Blessed art Thou, O Lord, that beholdest the depths, and sittest upon the Cherubim. ℣. O bless the God of heaven: for He hath shewn His mercy upon us.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers: and greatly to be praised for ever, alleluia. *Song of Three Children.*

GOSPEL. *St. John* iii. 1.

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: the same came to Jesus by night, and said unto Him: Rabbi, we know that Thou art a Teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that Thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him: Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto Him: How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered: Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water, and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth; so is every one that is born of the Spirit. Nicodemus answered and said unto Him: How can these things be? Jesus answered and said unto him: Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things? Verily, verily I say unto thee, We speak that We do know, and testify that We have seen: and ye receive not Our witness. If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not: how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things? And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but He that came down from heaven, even the Son of Man, Who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of

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Man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Blessed be God the Father, and the Only-begotten Son of God, and the Holy Ghost: for He hath shewn His mercy upon us. *Tob.* xii. 6.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord God, Holy Trinity, to hallow the offering of this Oblation by the invocation of Thy holy Name: that thereby we may ourselves be made a perfect gift unto Thee for evermore. Who livest and reignest, One God, world without end.

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COMMUNION. We bless the God of heaven, and praise Him in the sight of all that live: for He hath shewn His mercy upon us. *Tob.* xii. 6.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE humbly beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that the receiving of this Sacrament may both strengthen us in health of body and soul; and also in the confession of the Holy and Everlasting Trinity, and the Undivided Unity. Wherein Thou livest and reignest, One God, world without end.

¶ *During the week, until Corpus Christi Day, except some Feast occur, the foregoing Mass is said, without Creed and Gloria.*

¶ *On week-days from Trinity to Advent, after the Collect of the day, additional Collects may be chosen from the following order:* 1, *Our Lady;* 2, *Against the adversaries of the Church;* 3, *Of All Saints;* 4, *Of the whole Church;* 5, *Of Peace;* 6, *For the Bishop;* 7, *Of the Patron of the Church. See* Divers Collects.

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The Feast of the Most Holy Sacrament,

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Corpus Christi Day.

INTROIT. *Cibavit eos.*

HE fed them with the finest wheat-flour, alleluia : and with honey out of the stony rock hath He satisfied them, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxxi. 17.

PSALM. Sing we merrily unto God our strength : make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob (*v.* 1). Glory. He fed.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who in this wonderful Sacrament hast left us a perpetual Memorial of Thy Passion : grant us, we beseech Thee ; so to venerate the sacred Mysteries of Thy Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of Thy redemption. Who livest.

EPISTLE. 1 *Corinthians* xi. 23.

I HAVE received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same night in which He was betrayed took bread ; and when He had given thanks, He brake it, and said : Take, eat ; this is My Body, which is broken for you : this do in remembrance of Me. After the same manner also He took the cup, when He had supped, saying : This cup is the New Testament in My Blood : this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me. For as often as ye eat this Bread, and drink this Cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till He come. Wherefore, whosoever shall eat this Bread, and drink this Cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the Body and Blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself not discerning the Lord's Body.

GRADUAL. The eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord : and Thou givest them their meat in due season. ℣. Thou openest Thine hand, and fillest all things living with plenteousness. *Ps.* cxlv. 15, 16.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. My Flesh is meat indeed, and My Blood is drink indeed : he that eateth My Flesh, and drinketh My Blood, dwelleth in Me, and I in him. *St. John* vi. 55.

SEQUENCE. Praise, O Sion,

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praise thy pastor, praise thy Saviour and thy master, high the choral anthems raise;

All thy utmost might it needeth, for He all thy praise exceedeth, thou canst ne'er express His praise.

Great the theme of our thanksgiving, Bread of Life, Bread ever-living, is to-day before thee set;

E'en the Same we touch and take It, as when o'er the board He brake It, where the brethren twelve were met.

Loud and solemn be our chanting, nor let joy, nor grace be wanting in the gladness of the breast;

Let a solemn chant be raised, while the Mystery is praised of the holy Eucharist.

Here our new King's Table gracing, the new Passover's new blessing hath the ancient forms effaced;

Youth decrepid age excelleth, truth uncertain shades dispelleth, darkness is by Light replaced.

His own Act at Supper seated, Christ ordained to be repeated in His memory divine:

Wherefore now, with adoration, we the Victim of salvation consecrate from bread and wine.

This the truth each Christian learneth, bread into His Flesh He turneth, wine to His most holy Blood;

Doth it pass thy comprehending? faith, the law of sight transcending, leaps to things not understood.

Here beneath these signs are hidden priceless Things to sense forbidden, signs, not things, are all we see;

Blood is poured, and Flesh is broken, yet in either wondrous Token, Christ entire we know to be.

Severed not by him that taketh, none divideth Him nor breaketh, whole His Blessed Self they taste;

One or thousand Him are taking, yet the same are all partaking, Him, indeed, they cannot waste.

Good and bad the Feast are sharing, yet a doom unlike preparing: life or everlasting woe;

Sinners death, the righteous making life their own; from that same taking, ah! what different ends shall flow.

When they break the holy Token, waver not, the word is spoken; what is veiled, all unbroken, doth in every part abide:

Of the Substance is no rending, in the sign our act has ending when we break; nor change nor spending e'er befals the Signified.

Lo, the Bread which Angels feedeth, made the Food the pilgrim needeth, children's Bread which He concedeth, and to dogs must ne'er be given;

Which each ancient type conveyeth, Isaac's sacrifice displayeth, and the Paschal Lamb pourtrayeth, Manna rained of old from heaven.

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Shepherd Good, true Bread and living, Jesu, be to us forgiving; Thou protecting, Thou relieving, in the land of all the living, cause Thou us all good to see:

Thou all-ruling, all-espying, feed'st us here, till hour of dying; there upon Thy bosom lying, we with all the Saints are sighing, fellow-heirs and friends to be. Amen. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 55.

JESUS said to the Jews: My Flesh is meat indeed, and My Blood is drink indeed. He that eateth My Flesh, and drinketh My Blood, dwelleth in Me, and I in him. As the living Father hath sent Me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth Me, even he shall live by Me. This is that Bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this Bread shall live for ever. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The priests of the Lord do offer the offerings of the Lord made by fire and the bread of their God: therefore they shall be holy unto their God, and not profane the Name of their God, alleluia. *Levit.* xxi. 6.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably bestow upon Thy Church the gifts of unity and peace: which, by these gifts we offer unto Thee, are in a mystery set forth. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 70.

COMMUNION. As often as ye eat this Bread, and drink this Cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till He come: wherefore, whosoever shall eat this Bread, and drink this Cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the Body and Blood of the Lord. 1 *Cor.* xi. 26.

POSTCOMMUNION.

MAKE us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to be fulfilled with the everlasting fruition of Thy Godhead: whereof the receiving of Thy precious Body and Blood in this life is both a figure and a pledge. Who livest.

¶ *Within the Octave of Corpus Christi, the Service is said as on the Feast, without the Creed, and without the Sequence.*

1st Sunday after Trinity.

Which is within the Octave of Corpus Christi.

INTROIT. *Domine, in Tua.*

O LORD, my trust is in Thy mercy, and my heart is joyful in Thy salvation: I will sing of the Lord, because He hath dealt so lovingly with me. *Ps.* xiii. 5.

PSALM. How long wilt Thou forget me, O Lord, for ever: how long wilt Thou hide Thy face from me (v. 1). Glory. O Lord.

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COLLECT.

O GOD, the strength of all them that put their trust in Thee, mercifully accept our prayers: and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without Thee, grant us the help of Thy grace, that in keeping of Thy commandments we may please Thee, both in will and deed. Through.

¶ *Commemoration of the Octave.*

¶ *On Sundays from Trinity to Advent, when the Service is of the Sunday, a Commemoration is made of the Holy Trinity; Collect, page* 374.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. John* iv. 7.

BELOVED, let us love one another: for love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God towards us, because that God sent His Only-begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and His love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in Him, and He in us; because He hath given us of His Spirit. And we have seen, and do testify, that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment: He that feareth is not made perfect in love. We love Him, because He first loved us. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother, whom he hath seen, how can he love God, Whom he hath not seen? And this commandment have we from Him: That he who loveth God love his brother also.

GRADUAL. I said, Lord, be merciful unto me: heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee. ℣. Blessed is he that considereth the poor and needy: the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Ponder my words, O Lord: con-

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sider my meditation, alleluia. *Ps.* xli 4; v. i.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xvi. 19.

THERE was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple, and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day. And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate full of sores, and desiring to be fed with the crumbs, which fell from the rich man's table: moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the Angels into Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died, and was buried: and in hell he lift up his eyes being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said: Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said: Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they who would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Then he said: I pray thee, therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: for I have five brethren: that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham saith unto him: They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said: Nay, father Abraham; but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him: If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O hearken Thou unto the voice of my calling, my King and my God: for unto Thee, O Lord, will I make my prayer. *Ps.* v. 2.

SECRET.

GOD, Who dost restore us whom Thou hast made in Thine own image, both by Thy Sacraments, and also by Thy commandments: favourably receive the prayers and gifts of Thy humble servants; and since we put no trust in our own deservings, may we obtain that which we ask by this acceptable Sacrifice. Through.

¶ *Commemoration of the Octave, and of the Holy Trinity.*

COMMUNION. I will speak of all Thy marvellous works; I will be glad, and rejoice in Thee: yea, my songs will I make of Thy Name, O Thou most Highest. *Ps.* ix. 2, 3.

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POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that as Thou hast fulfilled us with such great gifts: we may attain unto Thy saving promises, and praise Thee without ceasing. Through.

¶ *Commemoration of the Octave, and of the Holy Trinity.*

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 2 *St. Peter* i. 16–19.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* v. 17–19.

2nd Sunday after Trinity.

INTROIT. *Factus est.*

THE Lord was my upholder, He brought me forth also into a place of liberty: He hath delivered me, even because He had a favour unto me. *Ps.* xviii. 18.

PSALM. I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my stony rock, my fortress, and my Saviour (v. 1). Glory. The Lord.

COLLECT.

O LORD, Who never failest to help and govern them whom Thou dost bring up in Thy stedfast fear and love: keep us, we beseech Thee; under the protection of Thy good providence, and make us to have a perpetual fear and love of Thy holy Name. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. John.* iii. 13.

MARVEL not, my brethren, if the world hate you. We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer; and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him; how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed, and in truth. And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before Him. For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence towards God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of Him, because we keep His commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in His sight. And this is His commandment, That we should believe on the Name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as He gave us commandment. And he that keepeth His commandments dwelleth in Him, and He in him: and hereby we know that He abideth in us,

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by the Spirit which He hath given us.

GRADUAL. When I was in trouble I called upon the Lord: and He heard me. ℣. Deliver my soul, O Lord: from lying lips and from a deceitful tongue.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. God is a righteous Judge, strong and patient: and God is provoked every day, alleluia. *Ps.* cxx. 1; vii. 12.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xiv. 16.

A CERTAIN man made a great supper, and bade many; and sent his servant at supper-time to say to them that were bidden: Come, for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him: I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it; I pray thee have me excused. And another said: I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them; I pray thee have me excused. And another said: I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant: Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. And the servant said: Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto the servant: Go out into the high-ways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Turn Thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul: O save me for Thy mercy's sake. *Ps.* vi. 4.

SECRET.

LET this Oblation, O Lord, which is to be consecrated to the honour of Thy Name purify us: and further us, from day to day, towards the leading of a heavenly life. Through.

COMMUNION. I will sing of the Lord, because He hath dealt so lovingly with me: yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord most Highest. *Ps.* xiii. 6.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord: that we who have received Thy sacred Gifts; may, through often drawing near to this Mystery, both find and know the increase of our saving health. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. *Ephesians* iv. 17-24.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xxi. 23-27.

3rd Sunday after Trinity.

INTROIT. *Respice in me.*

TURN Thee unto me, and have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am desolate and

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in misery: look upon my adversity and misery; and forgive me all my sin, O my God. *Ps.* xxv. 15.

PSALM. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul: my God, I have put my trust in Thee, O let me not be confounded (*v.* 1). Glory. Turn Thee.

COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee mercifully to hear us: and grant that we, to whom Thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may by Thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. Peter* v. 5.

ALL of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time; casting all your care upon Him, for He careth for you. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour: whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. But the God of all grace, Who hath called us into His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you. To Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

GRADUAL. O cast thy burden upon the Lord: and He shall nourish thee. ℣. When I cried unto the Lord, He heard my voice: and delivered me from the battle that was against me.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my stony rock, my defence, and my Saviour, alleluia. *Ps.* lv. 23, xviii. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xv. 1.

THEN drew near unto Him all the Publicans and sinners for to hear Him. And the Pharisees and Scribes murmured, saying: This Man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them. And He spake this parable unto them, saying: What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it? And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbours, saying unto them: Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost. I say unto you: That likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over

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ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance. Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find it? And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and her neighbours together, saying: Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I had lost. Likewise, I say unto you, There is joy in the presence of the Angels of God over one sinner that repenteth. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. They that know Thy Name will put their trust in Thee: for Thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek Thee; O praise the Lord Which dwelleth in Sion: for He forgetteth not the complaint of the poor. *Ps.* ix. 10.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee to hallow the Gifts which we offer unto Thee: that for our healing they may become to us the Body and Blood of Thine Only-begotten Son. Who liveth.

COMMUNION. I have called upon Thee, O God, for Thou shalt hear me: incline Thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words. *Ps.* xvii. 6.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE who have received these sacred Gifts, do humbly beseech Thee, O Lord: that by the virtue thereof, Thou wouldest cleanse us from all our vices, and evermore fill us with the gifts of Thy grace. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 2 *St. Tim.* iv. 17, 18.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* v. 25–30.

4th Sunday after Trinity.

INTROIT. *Dominus illuminatio.*

THE Lord is my light, and my salvation, whom then shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life, of whom then shall I be afraid?: when the wicked, even mine enemies, and my foes, came upon me, they stumbled and fell. *Ps.* xxvii. 1.

PSALM. Though an host of men were laid against me: yet shall not my heart be afraid (*v.* 3). Glory. The Lord.

COLLECT.

O GOD, the protector of all that trust in Thee, without Whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us Thy mercy; that, Thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal; grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord. Who.

EPISTLE. *Romans* viii. 18.

I RECKON that the sufferings of this present

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time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of Him Who hath subjected the same in hope: because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption, into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth, and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

GRADUAL. Be merciful, O Lord, unto our sins: wherefore do the heathen say, where is now their God? ℣. Help us, O God of our salvation: and for the honour of Thy Name deliver us, O Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The king shall rejoice in Thy strength, O Lord: exceeding glad shall he be of Thy salvation, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxix. 9, xxi. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* vi. 36.

BE ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven: give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal, it shall be measured to you again. And He spake a parable unto them: Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch? The disciple is not above his master; but every one that is perfect shall be as his master. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Lighten mine eyes that I sleep not in death: lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him. *Ps.* xiii. 3.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to behold the offerings of Thy Church which calleth upon Thee: and grant; that being hallowed by Thee, they

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may always profit to the saving health of them that believe, and who do receive the same. Through.

COMMUNION. The Lord is my stony rock, my defence, and my Saviour: my God, and my might. *Ps.* xviii. 1.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET Thy holy Things, which we have now received, quicken us, O Lord: and prepare us whom they have cleansed for Thine everlasting mercy. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. John* ii. 3–6.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xvii. 10–18.

5th Sunday after Trinity.

INTROIT. *Exaudi.*

HEARKEN unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto Thee: Thou hast been my succour, leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation. *Ps.* xxvii. 8.

PSALM. The Lord is my light, and my salvation: whom then shall I fear (*v.* 1). Glory. Hearken.

COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee: that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Thy governance, that Thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. Peter* iii. 8.

BE ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous: not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing; but contrariwise, blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing. For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile; let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled; but sanctify the Lord God in your hearts.

GRADUAL. Behold, O God, our defender: and look upon Thy servants. ℣. O Lord God of Hosts: hear the prayers of Thy servants.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. In Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion: rid me, and deliver me in Thy righteousness, bow down Thine ear to me, make haste to help me, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxxiv. 9, xxxi. 1.

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GOSPEL. *St. Luke* v. 1.

IT came to pass, that as the people pressed upon Him to hear the Word of God, He stood by the lake of Gennesareth, and saw two ships standing by the lake; but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets. And He entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land: and He sat down, and taught the people out of the ship. Now when He had left speaking, He said unto Simon: Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. And Simon answering said unto Him: Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing; nevertheless, at Thy word I will let down the net. And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes, and their net brake. And they beckoned unto their partners which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying: Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord. For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken; and so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon: Fear not, from henceforth thou shalt catch men. And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed Him. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. I will bless the Lord, Who hath given me counsel: I have set God always before me; for He is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall. *Ps.* xvi. 8.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that the prayers of Thy humble servants may go up before the sight of Thy mercy: and let the power of Thy Godhead come down upon our oblation, which of Thy bounty Thou dost also give for the purifying of our hearts and minds. Through.

COMMUNION. One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require: even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. *Ps.* xxvii. 4.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET Thy holy Mysteries, we beseech Thee, O Lord, cleanse us, and by their defence evermore protect us. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. Timothy* ii. 1–7.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* viii. 22–25.

6th Sunday after Trinity.

INTROIT. *Dominus fortitudo.*

THE Lord is the strength of His people, and He

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is the wholesome defence of His Anointed: O Lord, save Thy people, and give Thy blessing unto Thine inheritance, feed them, and set them up for ever. *Ps.* xxviii. 9.

PSALM. Unto Thee will I cry, O Lord, my strength, think no scorn of me: lest, if Thou make as though Thou hearest not, I become like them that go down into the pit (v. 1). Glory. The Lord.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast prepared for them that love Thee such good things as pass man's understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward Thee; that we, loving Thee above all things, may obtain Thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire. Through.

EPISTLE. *Romans* vi. 3.

KNOW ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death? Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection: knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him; knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over Him. For in that He died, He died unto sin once; but in that He liveth, He liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

GRADUAL. Turn Thee again, O Lord, at the last: and be gracious unto Thy servants. ℣. Lord, Thou hast been our refuge: from one generation to another.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. O deliver me from mine enemies, O my God: defend me from them that rise up against me, alleluia. *Ps.* xc. 13.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* v. 20.

JESUS said unto His disciples: Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the Kingdom of heaven. Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill: and whosoever shall kill, shall be in danger of the judgement. But I say unto you, that whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgement: and whosoever, shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall

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say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell-fire. Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there remember est that thy brother hath ought against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way, first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O hold Thou up my goings in Thy paths: that my footsteps slip not; incline Thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words, show Thy marvellous loving-kindness: Thou That art the Saviour of them which put their trust in Thee, O Lord. *Ps.* xvii. 5.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, be favourable unto our supplications, and mercifully accept the Oblations of Thy servants: that what each one hath offered unto the honour of Thy Name, may set forward the salvation of all. Through.

COMMUNION. I will offer in His dwelling an oblation with great gladness: I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord. *Ps.* xxvii. 7.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that we whom Thou hast refreshed and satisfied with Thy heavenly Gift, may be cleansed from our secret faults, and be delivered from the snares of the enemy. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. John* ii. 21-25.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* x. 17-21.

7th Sunday after Trinity.

INTROIT. *Omnes gentes.*

O CLAP your hands together all ye people: O sing unto God with the voice of melody. *Ps.* xlvii. 1.

PSALM. He shall subdue the people under us: and the nations under our feet (v. 3). Glory. O clap.

COLLECT.

LORD of all power and might, Who art the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of Thy Name; increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Thy great mercy keep us in the same. Through.

EPISTLE. *Romans* vi. 19.

I SPEAK after the manner of men, because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness, and to iniquity, unto

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iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness, unto holiness. For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness. What fruit had ye then in those things, whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death. But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

GRADUAL. Come, ye children, and hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord. ℣. Come unto me and be lightened: and your faces shall not be ashamed.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Thou, O God, art praised in Sion: and unto Thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem, alleluia. *Ps.* xxxiv. 11.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* viii. 1.

IN those days the multitude being very great, and having nothing to eat, Jesus called His disciples unto Him, and saith unto them: I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now been with Me three days, and have nothing to eat: and if I send them away fasting to their own houses, they will faint by the way; for divers of them came from far. And His disciples answered Him: From whence can a man satisfy these men with bread here in the wilderness? And He asked them: How many loaves have ye? And they said: Seven. And He commanded the people to sit down on the ground. And He took the seven loaves, and gave thanks, and brake, and gave to His disciples to set before them; and they did set them before the people. And they had a few small fishes; and He blessed, and commanded to set them also before them. So they did eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken meat that was left seven baskets. And they that had eaten were about four thousand. And He sent them away. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Like as in the burnt offerings of rams and bullocks: and like as in ten thousands of fat lambs; so let our sacrifice be in Thy sight this day, that it may please Thee: for they shall not be confounded that put their trust in Thee, O Lord. *Song of the Three Children.*

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, be favourable unto our supplications, and mercifully accept the oblations of Thy people: and that the desires of none may be in vain, that the petition of none may be void; we beseech Thee to grant that what we ask faithfully, we may obtain effectually. Through.

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COMMUNION. Bow down Thine ear to me : make haste to deliver me. *Ps.* xxxi. 2.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE who have been filled with Thy Gifts, do beseech Thee, O Lord, to grant that we may be cleansed by the effect thereof, and also, defended by their help. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. *Romans* viii. 1–6.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xii. 1–7.

8th Sunday after Trinity.

INTROIT. *Suscepimus.*

WE wait for Thy loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of Thy temple : O God, according to Thy Name, so is Thy praise unto the world's end, Thy right hand is full of righteousness. *Ps.* xlviii. 8.

PSALM. Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised : in the city of our God, even upon His holy hill (*v.* 1). Glory. We wait.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth : we humbly beseech Thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us. Through.

EPISTLE. *Romans* viii. 12.

BRETHREN, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die ; but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear ; but ye have received the spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God : and if children, then heirs ; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ : if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together.

GRADUAL. Be Thou, O God, my strong rock and house of defence : that Thou mayest save me. ℣. In Thee, O Lord God, have I put my trust : let me never be put to confusion.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Hear my law : O my people, alleluia. *Ps.* xxxi. 3.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* vii. 15.

BEWARE of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits : do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles ? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit ; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit ; neither can a corrupt

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tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of My Father Which is in heaven. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Thou shalt save the people that are in adversity, O Lord: and shalt bring down the high looks of the proud, for who is God, but the Lord? *Ps.* xviii. 27.

SECRET.

O GOD, Who hast fulfilled the diveis kinds of offerings of the old law by the perfection of this one Sacrifice: accept the Oblation offered unto Thee by Thy devout servants, and hallow it with a blessing like unto that bestowed on the gifts of righteous Abel; and grant that what each doth offer to the honour of Thy Majesty, may be profitable unto the salvation of all. Through.

COMMUNION. O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is: blessed is the man that trusteth in Him. *Ps.* xxxiv. 8.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the operation of Thy healing, O Lord, graciously set us free from our froward ways, and bring us unto those things that be rightful. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. *Romans* v. 8–11.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* ix. 38–48.

9th Sunday after Trinity.

INTROIT. *Ecce, Deus.*

BEHOLD, God is my helper, the Lord is with them that uphold my soul. He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: destroy Thou them in Thy truth, O Lord, my protector. *Ps.* liv. 4, 5.

PSALM. Save me, O God, for Thy Name's sake: and avenge me in Thy strength (v. i). Glory. Behold.

COLLECT.

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful: that we, who cannot do anything that is good without Thee, may by Thee be enabled to live according to Thy will. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *Corinthians* x. 1.

BRETHREN, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; and were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud, and in the sea; and did all eat the same spiritual meat, and did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them; and that Rock was Christ. But with many of them God was not well

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pleased; for they were overthrown in the wilderness. Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you, but such as is common to man; but God is faithful, Who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

GRADUAL. O Lord our Governour: how excellent is Thy Name in all the world. ℣. Thou hast set Thy glory: above the heavens.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Sing we merrily unto God our strength: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob, take the psalm, the merry harp with the lute, alleluia. *Ps.* viii. 1, lxxxi. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xvi. 1.

JESUS said unto His disciples: There was a certain rich man which had a steward; and the same was accused unto him that he had wasted his goods. And he called him, and said unto him: How is it that I hear this of thee? Give an account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest be no longer steward. Then the steward said within himself: What shall I do? for my lord taketh away from me the stewardship: I cannot dig, to beg I am ashamed. I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses. So he called every one of his lord's debtors unto him, and said unto the first: How much owest thou unto my lord? And he said: An hundred measures of oil. And he said unto him: Take thy bill, and sit down quickly, and write fifty. Then said he to another: And how much owest thou? And he said: An hundred measures of wheat. And he said unto him: Take thy bill, and write fourscore. And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than

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the children of light. And I say unto you: Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart: sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb; moreover, by them is Thy servant taught. *Ps.* xix. 8.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, accept the Gifts which of Thine Own bounty we now bring before Thee: that these most holy Mysteries, by the mighty working of Thy grace, may both hallow our conversation in this life present, and bring us to everlasting joy. Through.

COMMUNION. Seek ye first the kingdom of God: and all these things shall be added unto you. *St. Matt.* vi. 33.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET this heavenly Mystery, we beseech Thee, O Lord, be unto us the renewing both of body and soul: that we may effectually perceive within ourselves the fruit of what we have outwardly performed. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. *Romans* vi. 16-18.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xvi. 10-15.

10th Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Dum clamarem.*

WHEN I called unto the Lord He heard my voice: and delivered my soul from the battle that was against me; yea, even God, that endureth for ever, hath brought them down: O cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall nourish thee. *Ps.* lv. 18.

PSALM. Hear my prayer, O God: and hide not Thyself from my petition, take heed unto me and hear me (*v.* 1). Glory. When I called.

COLLECT.

LET Thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Thy humble servants: and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please Thee. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *Corinthians* xii. 1.

CONCERNING spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant. Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led. Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed; and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost. Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diver-

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sities of operations, but it is the same God, Who worketh all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues. But all these worketh that one and the self-same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as He will.

GRADUAL. Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of an eye: hide me under the shadow of Thy wings. ℣. Let my sentence come forth from Thy presence; and let Thine eyes look upon the thing that is equal.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. O Lord God of my salvation: I have cried day and night before Thee, alleluia. *Ps.* xvii. 8.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xix. 41.

AND when He was come near, He beheld the city, and wept over it, saying: If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes. For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, and shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation. And He went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought, saying unto them: It is written, My house is the house of prayer: but ye have made it a den of thieves. And He taught daily in the temple. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul: my God, I have put my trust in Thee, O let me not be confounded; neither let mine enemies triumph over me: for all they that hope in Thee shall not be ashamed. *Ps.* xxv. 1.

SECRET.

GRANT us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, worthily and frequently to draw near to these Mysteries: for as often as this commemorative Sacrifice is celebrated, the work of our redemption is carried on. Through.

COMMUNION. Thou shalt be pleased with the Sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations: upon Thine altar, O Lord. *Ps.* li. 19.

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POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the communion of Thy Sacrament, O Lord, both give unto us cleansing, and also bestow unity upon us. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 1 *Cor.* xv. 39–46.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xxi. 34–36.

11th Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Deus in loco.*

GOD in His holy habitation, He is the God That maketh men to be of one mind in an house : He will give strength and power unto His people. *Ps.* lxviii. 5.

PSALM. Let God arise, and let His enemies be scattered : let them also that hate Him flee before Him (v. 1). Glory. God in His.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who declarest Thy almighty power most chiefly in shewing mercy and pity: mercifully grant unto us such a measure of Thy grace; that we, running the way of Thy commandments, may obtain Thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of Thy heavenly treasure. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *Cor.* xv. 1.

BRETHREN, I declare unto you the Gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand: by which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all, that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures ; and that He was buried; and that He rose again the third day, according to the Scriptures; and that He was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve; after that, He was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present; but some are fallen asleep; after that, He was seen of James; then of all the Apostles : and last of all, He was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time. For I am the least of the Apostles, that am not meet to be called an Apostle, because I persecuted the Church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am : and His grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all; yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. Therefore whether it were I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.

GRADUAL. My heart hath trusted in God and I am helped : therefore my heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise Him. ℣. Unto Thee will I cry, O Lord : be not silent, O my God, nor depart from me.

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Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Lord, Thou hast been our refuge: from one generation to another, alleluia. *Ps.* xxviii. 8.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xviii. 9.

JESUS spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a Publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself: God, I thank Thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this Publican: I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the Publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying: God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. I will magnify Thee, O Lord, for Thou hast set me up: and not made my foes to triumph over me; O Lord my God, I cried unto Thee: and Thou hast healed me. *Ps.* xxx. 1.

SECRET.

UNTO Thee, O Lord, let our dedicated Sacrifices be brought: for Thou hast granted us to offer such to the honour of Thy Name, that Thou mayest make the same to become a healing remedy unto us. Through.

COMMUNION. Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine. *Prov.* iii. 9.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God: that as Thou never failest to renew us with divine Sacraments, so Thou wilt not leave us destitute of Thy gracious help. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 1 *Cor.* vi. 15—20.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xviii. 1—8.

12th Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Deus, in adjutorium.*

HASTE Thee, O God, to deliver me, make haste to help me, O Lord: let mine enemies be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul. *Ps.* lxx. 1.

PSALM. Let them be turned backward and put to confusion: that wish me evil (*v.* 2). Glory. Haste Thee.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire,

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or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of Thy mercy: forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Who.

EPISTLE. 2 *Corinthians* iii. 4.

SUCH trust have we through Christ to God-ward: not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God. Who also hath made us able ministers of the New Testament: not of the letter, but of the Spirit: for the letter killeth, but the Spirit giveth life. But if the ministration of death written and engraven in stones was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance, which glory was to be done away; how shall not the ministration of the Spirit be rather glorious? For if the ministration of condemnation be glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

GRADUAL. I will alway give thanks unto the Lord: His praise shall ever be in my mouth. ℣. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. O come let us sing unto the Lord: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation, alleluia. *Ps.* xxxiv. 1, xcv. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* vii. 31.

JESUS, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis. And they bring unto Him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech Him to put His hand upon him. And He took him aside from the multitude, and put His fingers into his ears, and He spit, and touched his tongue; and looking up to heaven, He sighed, and saith unto him: Ephphatha, that is, Be opened. And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain. And He charged them that they should tell no man: but the more He charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it; and were beyond measure astonished, saying: He hath done all things well; He maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Moses besought the Lord his God, and said: Why, O Lord, doth Thy wrath wax hot against Thy people? turn from Thy fierce wrath: remember Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to whom Thou swarest to give a land flowing with milk and

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honey: and the Lord repented of the evil which He thought to do unto His people. *Ex.* xxxii. 11.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably to regard our bounden duty and service: that the Gift which we offer may be acceptable unto Thee, and may become a help unto our weakness. Through.

COMMUNION. The earth, O Lord, is filled with the fruits of Thy works: that Thou mayest bring food out of the earth, and wine that maketh glad the heart of man; and oil to make him a cheerful countenance: and bread to strengthen man's heart. *Ps.* civ. 13.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that by the receiving of this Sacrament, we may feel ourselves to be helped both in body and soul: that being saved in both, we may glory in the fulness of Thy heavenly healing. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 2 *Cor.* iv. 5-11.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xi. 20-24.

13th Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Respice, Domine.*

LOOK upon Thy covenant, O Lord, and forget not the congregation of the poor for ever: arise, O God, maintain Thine own cause, and forget not the voice of them that seek Thee. *Ps.* lxxiv. 21.

PSALM. O God, wherefore art Thou absent from us so long: why is Thy wrath so hot against the sheep of Thy pasture (*v.* 1). Glory. Look upon.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of Whose only gift it cometh that Thy faithful people do unto Thee true and laudable service: grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so faithfully serve Thee in this life; that we fail not finally to attain Thy heavenly promises. Through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Who.

EPISTLE. *Galatians* iii. 16.

TO Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not: And to seeds, as of many; but as of one; And to thy seed, which is Christ. And this I say: That the covenant that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the Law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect. For if the inheritance be of the Law, it is no more of promise; but God gave it to Abraham by promise. Wherefore then serveth the Law? It was added because of transgres-

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sions, till the seed should come, to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by Angels in the hand of a mediator. Now a mediator is not a mediator of one; but God is one. Is the Law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the Law. But the Scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

GRADUAL. Look upon Thy covenant, O Lord: and forget not the congregation of the poor for ever. ℣. Arise, O Lord, maintain Thine own cause: remember how the foolish man blasphemeth Thee daily.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. For the Lord is a great God: and a great King over all the earth, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxiv. 21.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* x. 23.

BLESSED are the eyes which see the things that ye see. For I tell you: That many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them. And behold, a certain Lawyer stood up, and tempted Him, saying: Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He said unto him: What is written in the Law? how readest thou? And he answering said: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind: and thy neighbour as thyself. And He said unto him: Thou hast answered right; this do, and thou shalt live. But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus: And who is my neighbour? And Jesus answering said: A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain Priest that way, and, when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was; and, when he saw him, he had compassion on him, and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow, when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again,

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I will repay thee. Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves? And he said: He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him: Go, and do thou likewise. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. My hope hath been in Thee, O Lord: I have said, Thou art my God, my time is in Thy hand. *Ps.* xxxi. 16.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably to behold our oblations, which we set forth upon Thy holy Altar: that by bestowing pardon and favour upon us, they may give honour unto Thy Name. Through.

COMMUNION. Thou hast given us Bread from heaven, O Lord: having every delight, and every taste of sweetness. *Wis.* xvi.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the holy partaking of this Mystery, quicken us, O Lord, we beseech Thee: and so let it become unto us both an atonement and a defence. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 1 *Thess.* ii. 9–13.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xii. 14–21.

14th Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Protector noster.*

BEHOLD, O God, our defender, and look upon the face of Thine Anointed: for one day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. *Ps.* lxxxiv. 9.

PSALM. O how amiable are Thy dwellings Thou Lord of hosts: my soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. Behold.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity: and, that we may obtain that which Thou dost promise, make us to love that which Thou dost command. Through.

EPISTLE. *Galatians* v. 16.

I SAY then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary the one to the other; so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led by the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these, adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, That they who do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. But the

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fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh, with the affections and lusts.

GRADUAL. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord: and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O most Highest. ℣. To tell of Thy loving-kindness early in the morning: and of Thy truth in the night-season.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon His Name: tell the people what things He hath done, alleluia. *Ps.* xcii. 1, cv. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xvii. 11.

AND it came to pass, as Jesus went to Jerusalem, that He passed through the midst of Samaria, and Galilee. And as He entered into a certain village, there met Him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices, and said: Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. And when He saw them, He said unto them: Go, shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks; and he was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering said: Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. And He said unto him: Arise, go thy way, thy faith hath made thee whole. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The Angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them: O taste and see, how gracious the Lord is. *Ps.* xxxiv. 7.

SECRET.

BE favourable, O Lord, unto Thy people, be favourable unto their gifts: that Thou being well-pleased with this Oblation, may both bestow upon us Thy pardon, and grant unto us those things which we ask. Through.

COMMUNION. The bread that I will give, is My Flesh: which I will give for the life of the world. *St. John* vi. 51.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE, who have received this heavenly Sacrament, do beseech Thee, O Lord: that we may advance towards the increase of our everlasting redemption. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 2 *Cor.* vi. 14–vii. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xii. 13–24.

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15th Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Inclina, Domine.*

BOW down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear me : my God, save Thy servant that putteth his trust in Thee : be merciful unto me, O Lord, for I will call daily upon Thee. *Ps.* lxxxvi. 1.

PSALM. Comfort the soul of Thy servant : for unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul (*v.* 4). Glory. Bow down.

COLLECT.

KEEP, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy Church, with Thy perpetual mercy : and, because the frailty of man without Thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by Thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation. Through.

EPISTLE. *Galatians* vi. 11.

YE see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand. As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised : only lest they should suffer persecution for the Cross of Christ. For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh. But God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by Whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

GRADUAL. It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in man. ℣. It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in princes.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. O God, my heart is ready, my heart is ready : I will sing and give praise with the best member that I have, alleluia. *Ps.* cxviii., cviii.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* vi. 24.

NO man can serve two masters : for either he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and Mammon. Therefore I say unto you : Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on : Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? Behold the fowls of the air; for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye

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not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought, can add one cubit unto his stature? And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field how they grow: they toil not, neither do they spin: and yet I say unto you, That even Solomon, in all his glory, was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven; shall He not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or what shall we drink? or wherewithal shall we be clothed? for after all these things do the Gentiles seek: for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow; for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself: sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. I waited patiently for the Lord, and He inclined unto me: He heard my calling, and hath put a new song in my mouth, even a thanksgiving unto our God. *Ps.* xl. 1.

SECRET.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee: that this saving Oblation may become to us the cleansing of all our sins, and a propitiation to obtain Thy loving-kindness. Through.

COMMUNION. He that eateth My Flesh, and drinketh My Blood: dwelleth in Me, and I in him, saith the Lord. *St. John* vi. 56.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET Thy Sacraments, O God, alway cleanse and defend us, and so may lead us to the attainment of everlasting salvation. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. Timothy* i. 8–14

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xx. 1–8.

16th Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Miserere mihi.*

BE merciful unto me, O Lord, for I will call daily upon Thee: for Thou, Lord, art good and gracious, and of great mercy unto all them that call upon Thee. *Ps.* lxxxvi. 3.

PSALM. Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor, and in misery (*v.* 1). Glory. Be merciful.

COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thy continual pity cleanse and defend Thy Church: and, because it cannot continue in safety without Thy succour, preserve it evermore by Thy help and goodness. Through.

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EPISTLE. *Ephesians* iii. 13.

I DESIRE that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of Whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints, what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

GRADUAL. The heathen shall fear Thy Name, O Lord: and all the kings of the earth Thy majesty. ℣. When the Lord shall build up Sion: and when His glory shall appear.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord: He is their helper and defender, alleluia. *Ps.* cii., cxv.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* vii. 11.

AND it came to pass the day after, that Jesus went into a city called Naim; and many of His disciples went with Him, and much people. Now when He came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and much people of the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her, and said unto her: Weep not. And He came and touched the bier, and they that bare him stood still, and He said: Young man, I say unto thee, Arise. And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak: and He delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on all, and they glorified God, saying: That a great Prophet is risen up among us, and that God hath visited His people. And this rumour of Him went forth throughout all Judæa, and throughout all the region round about. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Look down, O Lord, to help me: let them be ashamed, and confounded together, that seek after my soul to destroy it. *Ps.* xl. 17.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that these Thy Sacraments may preserve us: and alway defend us against

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the assaults of the devil. Through.

COMMUNION. O Lord, I will make mention of Thy righteousness only: Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now; forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed. *Ps.* lxxi. 14.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that the working of this heavenly Gift may possess our souls and bodies: that the effect thereof, and not our own natural affections, may alway prevail within us. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. *Colossians* ii. 8-13.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* viii. 22-26.

17th Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Justus es.*

RIGHTEOUS art Thou, O Lord, and true is Thy judgment: O deal with Thy servant according unto Thy loving mercy. *Ps.* cxix. 137.

PSALM. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. Righteous.

COLLECT.

LORD, we pray Thee, that Thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works. Through.

EPISTLE. *Ephesians* iv. 1.

I THEREFORE the prisoner of the Lord beseech you, that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavouring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, Who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

GRADUAL. Blessed is the people whose God is the Lord: and blessed are the folk, that He hath chosen to Him to be His inheritance. ℣. By the Word of the Lord were the heavens made: and all the hosts of them by the breath of His mouth. *Ps.* xxxiii.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass: the right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence, alleluia. *Ps.* cxvii.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xiv. 1.

IT came to pass, as Jesus went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread on the sabbath-day, that they watched Him. And behold, there was a certain man before Him which had the dropsy. And Jesus answering spake unto the Lawyers and Pharisees, saying:

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Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath-day? And they held their peace. And He took him, and healed him, and let him go; and answered them, saying: Which of you shall have an ass, or an ox, fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the sabbath-day? And they could not answer Him again to these things. And He put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when He marked how they chose out the chief rooms, saying unto them: When thou art bidden of any man to a wedding, sit not down in the highest room; lest a more honourable man than thou be bidden of him; and he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place; and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room. But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room; that, when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee. For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. I, Daniel, prayed unto the Lord my God, and said: Hear, O our God, the prayer of Thy servant: cause Thy face to shine upon Thy sanctuary; and behold, O God, this Thy people, who are called by Thy Name. *Dan.* ix.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, to cleanse us by the effectual working of this present Sacrifice: and shew Thy mercy upon us, that so we may become worthy to be partakers thereof. Through.

COMMUNION. Promise unto the Lord your God, and keep it; all ye that are round about Him bring presents unto Him that ought to be feared: He shall refrain the spirit of princes; and is wonderful among the kings of the earth. *Ps.* lxxvi.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, graciously to cleanse our minds, and to renew them by these heavenly Sacraments: that thereby we may receive help for our bodies, both in this time present, and in the time to come. Through.

Wednesday.

¶ *The Epistle and Gospel as on Wednesday after the twenty-third Sunday.*

Ember Wednesday in September.

INTROIT. *Exultate Deo.*

SING we merrily unto God our strength, make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob: take the merry psalm with the lute, blow up the trumpet in the new moon, for this was made a statute

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for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob. *Ps.* lxxxi.

PSALM. This He ordained in Joseph for a testimony, when he came out of the land of Egypt: and had heard a strange language (*v.* 5). Glory. Sing we.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, unto Thy servants, who pray unto Thee: that while they abstain from bodily food, they may also spiritually fast from sin. Through.

LESSON. *Amos* ix. 13.

BEHOLD the days come, saith the Lord, that the ploughman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt. And I will bring again the captivity of My people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them. And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the Lord thy God.

GRADUAL. Who is like unto the Lord our God, that hath His dwelling so high: and yet humbleth Himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth. ℣. He taketh up the simple out of the dust: and lifteth the poor out of the mire. *Ps.* cxiii. 5.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* ix. 17.

AND one of the multitude answered Jesus, and said: Master, I have brought unto Thee my son, which hath a dumb spirit; and wheresoever he taketh him, he teareth him: and he foameth, and gnasheth with his teeth, and pineth away: and I spake to Thy disciples that they should cast him out; and they could not. He answereth him, and saith: O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? Bring him unto Me. And they brought him unto Him: and when he saw Him, straightway the spirit tare him; and he fell on the ground, and wallowed, foaming. And He asked his father: How long is it ago since this came unto him? And he said: Of a child. And ofttimes it hath cast him into the fire, and into the waters, to destroy him: but if Thou canst do any thing, have compassion on us, and help us. Jesus said unto him: If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said with tears: Lord, I believe; help Thou mine unbelief. When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the foul spirit, saying unto

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him: Thou dumb and deaf spirit, I charge thee, come out of him, and enter no more into him. And the spirit cried, and rent him sore, and came out of him: and he was as one dead; insomuch that many said, He is dead. But Jesus took him by the hand, and lifted him up; and he arose. And when He was come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately: Why could not we cast him out? And He said unto them: This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting.

OFFERTORY. My delight shall be in Thy commandments which I have loved: my hands also will I lift up unto Thy commandments which I have loved. *Ps.* cxix.

SECRET.

O GOD, Who out of these fruits of the earth hast willed to ordain Thy Sacraments: vouchsafe, we beseech Thee; to bestow upon us through them Thine aid, both for this life present, and also for that which is to come. Through.

COMMUNION. Eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them, for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord, neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the Lord is your strength. *Neh.* viii.

POSTCOMMUNION.

HAVING received, O Lord, these Thy heavenly gifts, we humbly beseech Thee: that what of Thy bounty we have celebrated with heedful service, we may likewise partake of, with our senses worthily disposed for Thy presents. Through.

¶ *Gloria in excelsis is not said on these Ember days, unless a Festival occur.*

Ember Friday.

INTROIT. *Lætetur cor.*

LET the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord: seek the Lord and His strength, seek His face evermore. *Ps.* cv. 3.

PSALM. O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon His Name: tell the people what things He hath done (*v.* 1). Glory. Let the heart.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that we, who do devoutly keep these holy seasons by a yearly observance, may please Thee both in body and soul. Through.

LESSON. *Hosea* xiv. 1.

O ISRAEL, return unto the Lord thy God; for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity. Take with you words, and turn to the Lord: say unto Him: Take away all iniquity, and receive us graciously; so will we render the calves of our lips. Asshur shall not save us; we will not ride upon horses: neither will

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we say any more to the work of our hands: Ye are our gods; for in Thee the fatherless findeth mercy. I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely; for Mine anger is turned away from him. I will be as the dew unto Israel; he shall grow as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon. His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and his smell as Lebanon. They that dwell under his shadow shall return; they shall revive as the corn, and grow as the vine; the scent thereof shall be as the wine of Lebanon. Ephraim shall say, What have I to do any more with idols? I have heard him, and observed him; I am like a green fir tree. From Me is thy fruit found. Who is wise, and he shall understand these things? prudent, and he shall know them? for the ways of the Lord are right, and the just shall walk in them; but the transgressors shall fall therein.

GRADUAL. Turn Thee again, O Lord, at the last: and be gracious unto Thy servants. ℣. Lord, Thou hast been our refuge: from one generation to another. *Ps.* xc.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* vii. 36.

AND one of the Pharisees desired Jesus that He would eat with him. And He went into the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat. And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment, and stood at His feet behind Him weeping, and began to wash His feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed His feet, and anointed them with the ointment. Now when the Pharisee which had bidden Him saw it, he spake within himself, saying: This Man, if He were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman this is that toucheth Him: for she is a sinner. And Jesus answering said unto him: Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith: Master, say on. There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both: Tell Me therefore, which of them will love him most? Simon answered and said: I suppose that he, to whom he forgave most. And he said unto him: Thou hast rightly judged. And He turned to the woman, and said unto Simon: Seest Thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest Me no water for My feet: but she hath washed My feet with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head. Thou gavest Me no kiss: but this woman since

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the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss My feet. My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed My feet with ointment. Wherefore I say unto thee: Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little. And He said unto her: Thy sins are forgiven. And they that sat at meat with Him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also? And He said to the woman: Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.

OFFERTORY. Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Who maketh thee young and lusty as an eagle. *Ps.* ciii.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let these gifts which we offer unto Thee in this our fasting be acceptable unto Thee: that cleansing away our sins, they may make us worthy of Thy grace, and bring us unto Thine everlasting promises. Through.

COMMUNION. Turn from me shame and rebuke, for I have kept Thy commandments, O Lord: for Thy testimonies are my delight. *Ps.* cxix.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, almighty God, that we, who yield Thee hearty thanks for the bounties we have received, may be made partakers of yet fuller blessings. Through.

Ember Saturday.

INTROIT. *Venite, adoremus.*

O COME, let us worship our God, and fall down before the Lord: let us kneel before the Lord our Maker: for He is the Lord our God. *Ps.* xcv. 6.

PSALM. O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation (v. 1). Glory. O come.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who by healthful abstinence, dost heal both soul and body: we humbly beseech Thy Majesty; graciously to accept the godly fasting and prayers of Thy people, and to grant us Thy help both now and for evermore. Through.

EPISTLE. *Hebrews* ix. 2.

THERE was a tabernacle made; the first, wherein was the candlestick, and the table, and the shewbread; which is called the Sanctuary. And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all; which had the golden censer, and the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant; and over it the

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cherubims of glory shadowing the mercyseat; of which we cannot now speak particularly. Now when these things were thus ordained, the priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service of God; but into the second went the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and for the errors of the people: the Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing: which was a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience; which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation. But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by His own blood, he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

TRACT. O praise the Lord, all ye heathen: praise Him all ye nations. ℣. For His merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. *Ps.* cxvii.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xiii. 6.

JESUS spake also this parable: A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none. Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard: Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground? And he answering said unto him: Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: and if it bear fruit, well; and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down. And He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself. And when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him, and said unto her: Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity. And He laid His hands upon her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath-day, and said unto the people: There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath-day. The Lord then answered him, and said: Thou hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or

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his ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering? And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath-day? And when He had said these things, all His adversaries were ashamed; and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

OFFERTORY. O Lord God of my salvation: I have cried day and night before Thee: O let my prayer enter into Thy presence, O Lord. *Ps.* lxxxviii.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably accept our gifts and fasting; forasmuch as Thou dost bestow them upon us, as a means whereby Thou mayest be well pleased. Through.

COMMUNION. Ye shall celebrate a feast in the seventh month, when I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths: when I brought them out of the land of Egypt, I am the Lord your God. *Lev.* xxiii. 41.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET Thy Sacraments, O Lord, we beseech Thee work in us that which they contain: so that we may hereafter enjoy the very truth of those things which we now celebrate in mystery. Through.

18th Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Da pacem.*

GIVE peace to them that wait for Thee, O Lord, and let Thy prophets be found faithful: hear the prayers of Thy servant, and of Thy people Israel. *Ecclus.* xxxvi. 16.

PSALM. I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord (cxxii. 1). Glory. Give peace.

COLLECT.

LORD, we beseech Thee, grant Thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow Thee the only God. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *Corinthians* i. 4.

I THANK my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ; that in every thing ye are enriched by Him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge; even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you; so that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GRADUAL. I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord. ℣. Peace be within thy walls: and plenteousness within Thy palaces.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I was

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glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord, alleluia. *Ps.* cxxii.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxii. 34.

WHEN the Pharisees had heard that Jesus had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together. Then one of them, who was a Lawyer, asked Him a question, tempting Him, and saying: Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying: What think ye of Christ? whose son is He? They say unto Him: The son of David. He saith unto them: How then doth David in spirit call Him Lord, saying, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit Thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy foot-stool? If David then call Him Lord, how is He his Son? And no man was able to answer Him a word: neither durst any man from that day forth ask Him any more questions. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Moses consecrated an altar unto the Lord, offering burnt offerings upon it, and sacrificing peace offerings: and he made an evening sacrifice for a sweet smelling savour unto the Lord God, in the sight of the children of Israel. *Exod.* xxiv.

SECRET.

WE humbly entreat Thy Majesty, O Lord: that these holy rites, which we here perform, may deliver us from our past and future transgressions. Through.

COMMUNION. Bring offerings and come into His courts: O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. *Ps.* xcvi.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, almighty God, that by these Thy means of sanctification, our iniquities may be healed, and everlasting remedies be forthcoming unto us. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. *Romans* xv. 30–33.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xiii. 31–35.

19th Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Salus populi.*

I AM the salvation of My people, saith the Lord: out of whatsoever tribulation they shall call Me, I will hearken unto them; and I will be their God for ever.

PSALM. Hear My law, O My people; incline your ears unto the words of My mouth (lxxviii. 1). Glory. I am.

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COLLECT.

O GOD, forasmuch as without Thee we are not able to please Thee: mercifully grant; that Thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts. Through.

EPISTLE. *Ephesians* iv. 17.

THIS I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind; having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: who, being past feeling, have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But ye have not so learned Christ; if so be that ye have heard Him, and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: that ye put off, concerning the former conversation, the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. Wherefore, putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. Be ye angry and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: neither give place to the devil. Let him that stole steal no more; but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil-speaking, be put away from you, with all malice. And be ye kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

GRADUAL. Let my prayer be set forth in Thy sight: O Lord, as the incense. ℣. And let the lifting up of my hands: be an evening sacrifice.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. They that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Sion: he who dwelleth in Jerusalem may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever, alleluia. *Ps.* cxli., cxxv.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* ix. 1.

JESUS entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into his own city. And behold, they brought to Him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed. And Jesus, seeing their faith, said unto the sick of the palsy: Son, be of good cheer, thy sins be forgiven thee. And behold, certain of the scribes said within them-

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selves, This man blasphemeth. And Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said: Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts? For whether is easier to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee? or to say, Arise, and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of Man hath power on earth to forgive sins, then saith He to the sick of the palsy, Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house. And he arose, and departed to his house. But when the multitude saw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, Who had given such power unto men. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt Thou refresh me, O Lord: Thou shalt stretch forth Thy right hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and Thy right hand shall save me. *Ps.* cxxxviii.

SECRET.

GOD, Who by worshipful communion with this Sacrifice, dost make us to be partakers of the One Godhead most high: grant we beseech Thee; that as we have known Thy truth, we may walk worthy of the same both in mind and conversation of life. Through.

COMMUNION. Thou hast charged that we shall diligently keep Thy commandments: O that my ways were made so direct, that I might keep Thy statutes. *Ps.* cxix.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, for that Thou hast given us increase by this holy gift, and humbly we entreat Thy mercy: that Thou wouldest make us worthy of our partaking of the same. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 2 *Thess.* ii. 15–iii. 5.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xiii. 36–43.

20th Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Omnia.*

EVERYTHING that Thou hast done to us, O Lord, Thou hast done in true judgment: for we have sinned, and not obeyed Thy commandments: but glorify Thy Name, and deal with us according to the multitude of Thy mercies. *Song of Three Children* 8.

PSALM. Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God, even upon His holy hill (xlviii. 1). Glory. Everything.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of Thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech Thee, from all things that may hurt us: that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that Thou wouldest have done. Through.

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EPISTLE. *Ephesians* v. 15.

SEE then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; speaking to yourselves in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs; singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ; submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

GRADUAL. The eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord: and Thou givest them their meat in due season. ℣. Thou openest Thine hand: and fillest all things living with plenteousness.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice, alleluia. *Ps.* cxlv., cxxx.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxii. 1.

JESUS said: The Kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, who made a marriage for his son; and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding; and they would not come. Again, he sent forth other servants, saying: Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready; come unto the marriage. But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise: and the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them. But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth; and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burnt up their city. Then saith he to his servants: The wedding is ready, but they who were bidden were not worthy. Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find bid to the marriage. So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all, as many as they found, both bad and good; and the wedding was furnished with guests. And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding-garment? And he saith unto him: Friend, how camest thou in hither, not having a wedding-garment? And he was speechless. Then said the king to the servants: Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but few are chosen. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. By the wa-

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ters of Babylon we sat down and wept: when we remembered thee, O Sion. *Ps.* cxxxvii.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that the gifts which we offer before the sight of Thy Divine Majesty, may become our salvation. Through.

COMMUNION. Remember Thy word unto Thy servant, O Lord, wherein Thou hast caused me to put my trust: the same is my comfort in my affliction. *Ps.* cxix.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thy work of healing both mercifully set us free from our waywardness, and make us ever to cleave unto Thy commandments. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 2 *Timothy* ii. 1–7.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xiv. 12–15.

21st Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *In voluntate Tua.*

THE whole world, O Lord, is in Thy power; and there is no man that can resist Thee: for Thou hast made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all the wondrous things under the heaven; Thou art Lord of all things. *Esth.* xiii. 9.

PSALM. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord (cxix). Glory. The whole.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, merciful Lord, to Thy faithful people pardon and peace: that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve Thee with a quiet mind. Through.

EPISTLE. *Ephesians* vi. 10.

MY brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and, having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth; and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God: praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance, and supplication for all saints; and for me, that utterance

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may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the Gospel, for which I am an ambassador in bonds; that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

GRADUAL. Lord, Thou hast been our refuge: from one generation to another. ℣. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made: Thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Praise the Lord, O my soul: while I live, will I praise the Lord: yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God, alleluia. *Ps.* xc., cxlvi.

GOSPEL. *St. John* iv. 46.

THERE was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum. When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judæa, into Galilee, he went unto Him, and besought Him that He would come down and heal his son; for he was at the point of death. Then said Jesus unto him: Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe. The nobleman saith unto Him: Sir, come down ere my child die. Jesus saith unto him: Go thy way, thy son liveth. And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way. And, as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told him, saying: Thy son liveth. Then enquired he of them the hour when he began to amend: and they said unto him: Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him. So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth; and himself believed, and his whole house. This is again the second miracle that Jesus did, when He was come out of Judæa into Galilee. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job, perfect and upright, and one that feared God: and Satan sought to tempt him; and power was given him by the Lord over his possessions and over his flesh: and he destroyed all his substance and his sons, and he smote his flesh with sore boils. *Job* i.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that these Mysteries may bestow a heavenly medicine upon us: and purge our hearts from every evil. Through.

COMMUNION. My soul hath longed for Thy salvation: and I have a good hope in Thy word; when wilt Thou be avenged of them that persecute me? they persecute me falsely: O be Thou my help, O Lord my God. *Ps.* cxix.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to make us ever obedi-

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ent to Thy holy commandments, that so we may become worthy of Thy sacred Gifts. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. 1 *Thess.* i. 4–10.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* vi. 6–11.

22nd Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Si iniquitates.*

IF Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it: for there is mercy with Thee, therefore shalt Thou be feared, O God of Israel. *Ps.* cxxx. 3.

PSALM. Out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. (*v.* 1). Glory. If Thou.

COLLECT.

LORD, we beseech Thee to keep Thy houshold the Church in continual godliness: that through Thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve Thee in good works, to the glory of Thy Name. Through.

EPISTLE. *Philippians*, i. 3.

I THANK my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, for your fellowship in the Gospel from the first day until now; being confident of this very thing, that He Who hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ; even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the Gospel, ye are all partakers of my grace. For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ. And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge, and in all judgement: that ye may approve things that are excellent, that ye may be sincere, and without offence, till the day of Christ: being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

GRADUAL. Behold how good and joyful a thing it is: brethren, to dwell together in unity. ℣. It is like the precious ointment upon the head: that ran down unto the beard, even unto Aaron's beard.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. He healeth those that are broken in heart: and bindeth up their wounds, alleluia. *Ps.* cxxxiii.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xviii. 21.

PETER said unto Jesus: Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him: I say not unto thee, until seven times; but until seventy times seven. Therefore is the Kingdom of heaven likened

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unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand talents. But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made. The servant therefore fell down and worshipped him, saying: Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt. But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellow-servants, which owed him an hundred pence; and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, saying: Pay me that thou owest. And his fellow-servant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying: Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And he would not; but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow-servants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done. Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him: O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me: shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow-servant, even as I had pity on thee? And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him. So likewise shall My heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Remember me, O Lord, King of all power: and put a well ordered speech in my mouth, that my words may be pleasing in the sight of the prince. *Esth.* xiv.

SECRET.

FAVOURABLY accept, O Lord, these offerings with which Thou hast willed that atonement should be made unto Thee, and that unto us saving health should be restored by the might of Thy loving-kindness. Through.

COMMUNION. I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the Angels of God: over one sinner that repenteth. *St. Luke* xv.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord: that we who have obtained the nourishment of immortal life, may keep with pure minds that which with our mouths we have now received. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. *Romans* iii. 19–26.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* xi. 23–26.

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23rd Sunday aft. Trinity.

INTROIT. *Dicit Dominus.*

I know the thoughts that I think towards you saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil: ye shall call upon Me, and I will hearken unto you, and I will turn away your captivity from all places. *Jer.* xxix. 11.

PSALM. Lord, Thou art become gracious unto Thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob (lxxxv. 1). Glory. I know.

COLLECT.

O GOD, our refuge and strength, Who art the author of all godliness: be ready, we beseech Thee, to hear the devout prayers of Thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully, we may obtain effectually. Through.

EPISTLE. *Philippians* iii. 17.

BRETHREN, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample. For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ; whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things. For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ; Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able to subdue all things unto Himself.

GRADUAL. It is Thou, O Lord, that savest us from our enemies: and puttest them to confusion that hate us. ℣. We make our boast of God all day long: and will praise Thy Name for ever.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. He maketh peace in Thy borders: and filleth thee with the flour of wheat, alleluia. *Ps.* xliv.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxii. 15.

THEN went the Pharisees and took counsel, how they might entangle Him in His talk. And they sent out unto Him their disciples, with the Herodians, saying: Master we know that Thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest Thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men. Tell us therefore, what thinkest Thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Cæsar or not? But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said: Why tempt ye Me, ye hypocrites? shew Me the tribute-money. And they brought unto Him a peny. And He saith unto them: Whose is this image and superscription? They say unto Him: Cæsar's. Then saith He unto them: Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's; and unto God

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the things that are God's. When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left Him, and went their way. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice, out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord. *Ps.* cxxx.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to make us intent upon Thy holy service: and that we may serve before Thee without any stain of offence, do Thou Thyself make us to be such as Thou dost command. Through.

COMMUNION. Verily I say unto you; what things soever ye desire, when ye pray: believe that ye receive them, and it shall be done unto you. *St. Mark.* xi.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE, Thy servants, who have received the gift of this holy Mystery, do humbly beseech Thee, O Lord: that these things which Thou hast commanded us to do in remembrance of Thee, may profit us as a help to our infirmities. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. *Romans* v. 17–21.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xvii. 24-27.

24th Sunday aft. Trinity.

¶ *The Introit, Gradual, Offertory, and Communion, the same as on the Twenty-third Sunday.*

COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, absolve Thy people from their offences: that through Thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed; grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. Who.

EPISTLE. *Colossians* i. 3.

WE give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints; for the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the Gospel; which is come unto you, as it is in all the world, and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth. As ye also learned of Epaphras, our dear fellow-servant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ; who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit. For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding: that ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and in-

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creasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, unto all patience and long-suffering with joyfulness; giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the Saints in light.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* ix. 18.

WHILE Jesus spake these things unto John's disciples, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped Him, saying: My daughter is even now dead; but come and lay Thy hand upon her, and she shall live. And Jesus arose, and followed him, and so did His disciples. And behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind Him, and touched the hem of His garment; for she said within herself: If I may but touch His garment, I shall be whole. But Jesus turned Him about, and, when He saw her, He said: Daughter, be of good comfort, thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour. And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise, He said unto them: Give place; for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed Him to scorn. But when the people were put forth, He went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose. And the fame hereof went abroad into all that land. *The Creed.*

SECRET.

LET the oblation of this present gift purify us, O Lord, we beseech Thee: and make us altogether worthy of a holy partaking of the same. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that as we have received these heavenly Gifts: Thou wilt not suffer those things, which Thou hast provided for the healing of Thy faithful people, to become condemnation unto us. Through.

Wednesday.

EPISTLE. I *Cor.* x. 20-31.

GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xxi. 28–32.

Sunday next before Advent.

¶ *The Introit, Offertory, and Communion the same as on the Twenty-third Sunday.*

COLLECT.

STIR up, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the wills of Thy faithful people: that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of Thee be plenteously rewarded. Through.

LESSON. *Jeremiah* xxiii. 5.

BEHOLD, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign, and prosper, and shall execute judgement and

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justice in the earth. In His days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is His Name whereby He shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. Therefore behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that they shall no more say: The Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; but, The Lord liveth, which brought up, and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north-country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

GRADUAL. It is Thou, that savest us from our enemies: and puttest them to confusion that hate us. ℣. We make our boast of God all day long: and will praise Thy Name for ever.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The heathen shall fear Thy Name, O Lord: and all the kings of the earth Thy Majesty, alleluia. *Ps.* xliv.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 5.

WHEN Jesus then lift up His eyes, and saw a great company come unto Him, He saith unto Philip: Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat? And this He said to prove him; for He himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him: Two hundred peny-worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto Him: There is a lad here, which hath five barley-loaves, and two small fishes; but what are they among so many? And Jesus said: Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and, when He had given thanks, He distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down, and likewise of the fishes, as much as they would. When they were filled, He said unto His disciples: Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley-loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said: This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world. *The Creed.*

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, give favourable heed to the Sacrifice which we are about to celebrate before Thee: and grant that it may both cleanse us from the evils of our mortal state, and also make us acceptable to Thy holy Name. Through.

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POSTCOMMUNION.

WE humbly beseech Thee, almighty God, that our souls, which have been now satisfied with Thy divine Gift, may be nourished by their desire to be enkindled with the fire of Thy Spirit, so that we may shine, as bright lights, before the face of Christ Thy Son, at His coming. Through the same. In the unity of the same.

¶ *When it happens that there are any intervening Sundays between the Twenty-fourth after Trinity and the Sunday next before Advent, the Service is taken from the Sundays which were omitted after the Epiphany: for instance, if but one Sunday, the Service is of the Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany; if two, of the Fifth and Sixth; if three, of the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth; provided that this last Service shall always be used upon the Sunday next before Advent.*

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THE PROPER OF SAINTS.

NOVEMBER.

29. Vigil of St. Andrew, Apostle.

INTROIT. *Dominus secus.*

JESUS, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Peter and Andrew, and He saith unto them: Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men. *St. Matt.* iv. 18.

PSALM. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth His handy-work (xix. 1). Glory. Jesus, walking.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, almighty God, that the blessed Apostle Andrew, may entreat Thine aid for us: that we may be loosed from the guilt of our sins, and also delivered from all dangers. Through.

LESSON I. *As on the Vigil of an Apostle, page* 1.

GRADUAL. How dear are Thy friends unto me, O God: O how great is the pre-eminence of them. ℣. If I tell them: they are more in number than the sand. *Ps.* cxxxix. 17.

GOSPEL. *St. John* i. 35.

JOHN stood, and two of His disciples; and looking upon Jesus, as He walked, he saith: Behold the Lamb of God! And the two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus. Then Jesus turned, and saw them following, and saith unto them: What seek ye? They said unto Him: Rabbi, which is to say, being interpreted, Master, where dwellest Thou? He saith unto them: Come and see. They came and saw where He dwelt, and abode with Him that day: for it was about the tenth hour. One of the two which heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him: We have found the Messias, which is, being interpreted, the Christ. And he brought him to Jesus. And when Jesus beheld him, He said: Thou art Simon, the son of Jona: thou shalt be called Cephas, which is by interpretation, A stone. The day following Jesus would go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip, and saith unto him: Follow Me. Now Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him: We have found Him, of Whom Moses

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in the law, and the prophets did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of Joseph. And Nathanael said unto him: Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip saith unto him: Come and see. Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and saith of him: Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile! Nathanael saith unto Him: Whence knowest Thou me? Jesus answered and said unto him: Before that Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee. Nathanael answered and saith unto Him: Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God; Thou art the King of Israel. Jesus answered and said unto him: Because I said unto thee, I saw thee under the fig tree, believest thou? thou shalt see greater things than these. And He saith unto him: Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the Angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.

OFFERTORY. *In the Common, page* II.

SECRET.

WE offer, O Lord, these gifts to be consecrated to Thee: whereby we who celebrate the solemn feast of blessed Andrew Thine Apostle with fasting and devout services, do also implore Thee that our minds may be purified. Through.

COMMUNION. Andrew saith unto his own brother Simon: We have found the Messias, who is called Christ; and he brought him to Jesus. *St. John* i.

POSTCOMMUNION.

HAVING received this healthful Sacrament, we humbly entreat Thee, O Lord, that, (at the intercession of blessed Andrew Thine Apostle,) what we have performed, may profit us to our salvation. Through.

¶ *Gloria in excelsis is not said.*

30. St. Andrew, Ap.

INTROIT. *Mihi autem.*

HOW dear are Thy friends unto me, O God: O how great is the pre-eminence of them. *Ps.* cxxxix. 17.

PSALM. O Lord, Thou hast searched me out, and known me: Thou knowest my down-sitting, and mine up-rising (*v.* 1). Glory. How dear.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who didst give such grace unto Thy holy Apostle Saint Andrew, that he readily obeyed the calling of Thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed Him without delay: grant unto us all, that we, being called by Thy holy Word, may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil Thy holy commandments. Through the same.

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¶ *If this feast fall in Advent, the second Collect is the memorial of Advent, the third of Blessed Mary.*

EPISTLE. *Romans* x. 9.

IF thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him. For whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on Him, in Whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him, of Whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! But they have not all obeyed the Gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God. But I say, Have they not heard? Yes, verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. But I say, Did not Israel know? First Moses saith, I will provoke you to jealousy by them that are no people, and by a foolish nation I will anger you. But Esaias is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought Me not; I was made manifest unto them that asked not after Me. But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth My hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.

GRADUAL. Thou shalt make them princes in all lands: they shall remember Thy Name, O Lord. ℣. Instead of thy fathers, thou shalt have children: therefore shall the people give thanks unto Thee. *Ps.* xlv.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord loved Andrew: as a sweet savour, alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xiv. 19.

JESUS, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishers; and He saith unto them: Follow Me; and I will make you fishers of men. And they straightway left their nets, and followed Him. And going on from thence He saw other two brethren, James the Son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their

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nets; and He called them. And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed Him. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. How dear are Thy friends unto me, O God : O how great is the pre-eminence of them.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the holy prayer of blessed Andrew make our Sacrifice pleasing in Thy sight : so that it may be made acceptable for his sake, in whose honour it is solemnly set forth. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men : and they straightway left their nets and followed the Lord. *St. Matt.* iv.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE who have received, O Lord, the divine Mysteries, rejoicing in the feast of blessed Andrew, beseech Thee, that Thou wouldest grant, that as they avail to the increase of the glory of Thy Saints, so they may likewise profit us to our pardon. Through.

¶ *If this feast fall in Advent,* Gloria in excelsis *is not said. Following Sarum use, this feast was observed with an Octave.*

DECEMBER.

6. St. Nicolas, Bp. Cf.

All as I. *in the Common, page* XIV, *except :*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by numberless miracles, hast honoured blessed Nicolas Thy Bishop : grant us, we beseech Thee; that, (for his merits' sake and intercession,) we may be delivered from the flames of hell. Through.

SECRET.

SANCTIFY, we beseech Thee, O Lord, these gifts, which we offer Thee reverencing Thy holy Bishop Nicolas : that by them our life may ever be directed both in adversity and prosperity. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the Sacrifice, which we have received, O Lord, we beseech Thee, on this solemnity of Thy holy Bishop Nicolas, evermore protect and strengthen us. Through.

8. Conception of B. V. Mary.

INTROIT. *Juravit Dominus.*

THE Lord hath made a faithful oath unto David, and He shall not shrink from it : of the fruit of thy body, shall I set upon thy seat. *Ps.* cxxxii. 11.

PSALM. Lord, remember David : and all his trouble. (*v.* 1). Glory. The Lord hath. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O MERCIFUL God, hear the supplication of us

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Thy servants: that we who are gathered together on the feast of the Conception of the Virgin Mother of God, may (at her intercession) be delivered by Thee from the dangers that beset us. Through the same.

LESSON. *Genesis* iii. 9.

AND the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him: Where art thou? And he said: I heard Thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked: and I hid myself. And He said: Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat? And the man said: The woman whom Thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the woman: What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said: The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the serpent: Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed: It shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise His heel. (*P*)

GRADUAL. The rivers of the flood shall make glad the city of God: the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most Highest. ℣. God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed: God shall help her, and that right early. *Ps.* xlvi. 4.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord hath chosen her, to be an habitation for Himself, alleluia. *Ps.* cxxxii. 14. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* i. 1.

THE book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judas and his brethren; and Judas begat Phares and Zara of Thamar; and Phares begat Esrom; and Esrom begat Aram; and Aram begat Aminadab; and Aminadab begat Naasson; and Naasson begat Salmon; and Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse; and Jesse begat David the king; and David the king begat Solomon of her that had been the wife of Urias; and Solomon begat Roboam; and Roboam begat Abia; and Abia begat Asa; and Asa begat Josaphat; and Josaphat begat Joram; and Joram begat Ozias; and Ozias begat Joatham; and Joatham begat Achaz; and Achaz begat Ezekias; and Ezekias begat Manasses; and Manasses begat Amon; and Amon begat Josias; and Josias begat Jechonias and his brethren,

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about the time they were carried away to Babylon: and after they were brought to Babylon, Jechonias begat Salathiel; and Salathiel begat Zorobabel; and Zorobabel begat Abiud; and Abiud begat Eliakim; and Eliakim begat Azor; and Azor begat Sadoc; and Sadoc begat Achim; and Achim begat Eliud; and Eliud begat Eleazar; and Eleazar begat Matthan; and Matthan begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, Who is called Christ. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The King shall have pleasure in thy beauty: for He is thy Lord God, and worship thou Him. And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift: like as the rich also among the people shall make their supplication before thee. *Ps.* xlv. 12, 13. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O LORD, let the Humanity of Thine Only-begotten Son succour us: that He, Who when He was born of a Virgin, did not impair, but sanctified the virginity of His mother, may set us free from our sins on this solemn feast of her Conception, and make our oblation acceptable to Himself, even Jesus Christ our Lord. Who liveth.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 70.

COMMUNION. It is the Lord That made thee, and formed thee from the womb, Which will help thee. *Is.* xliv. 2. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, let the Mysteries of Thy Word made flesh, which we have now received, cleanse us from all defilement of flesh and spirit: and (at the intercession of the most holy Virgin Mary His Mother;) let them hallow our bodies by purity, our minds by faith, and our hearts by charity. Through the same. (*P.*)

13. St. Lucy, V. M.

All as I. *in the Common of V. M. page* XXII, *except:*

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably look upon the gifts about to be consecrated, which we humbly sacrifice to Thy Name on this solemnity of Saint Lucy, Thy Virgin and Martyr. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the prayers of Saint Lucy, Thy Virgin and Martyr, be pleasing in Thy sight, and reconcile us unto Thee: that by these holy Things, which we have taken, we may perceive the saving effects of the same. Through.

20. Vigil of St. Thomas, Ap.

All as in the Common, page I.

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¶ *If this day fall upon Sunday, or Wednesday, Friday or Saturday in Ember week, only a memorial is made.*

21. St. Thomas, Ap.

INTROIT *as on St. Andrew's day, page* 429.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, Who for the more confirmation of the faith didst suffer Thy holy Apostle Thomas to be doubtful in Thy Son's resurrection: grant us so perfectly, and without all doubt, to believe in Thy Son Jesus Christ, that our faith in Thy sight may never be reproved. Hear us, O Lord, through the same Jesus Christ, to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for evermore. ℟. Amen.

EPISTLE. *Ephesians* ii. 19.

NOW therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner-stone; in Whom all the building, fitly framed together, groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord; in Whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God, through the Spirit.

GRADUAL. How dear are Thy friends unto me, O God: O how great is the pre-eminence of them. ℣. If I tell them: they are more in number than the sand. *Ps.* cxxxix.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Their sound is gone out into all lands: and their words into the ends of the world, alleluia. *Ps.* xix.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xx. 24.

THOMAS, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said unto him: We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them: Except I shall see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into His side, I will not believe. And after eight days again His disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said: Peace be unto you. Then saith He to Thomas: Reach hither thy finger, and behold My hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into My side; and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto Him: My Lord, and my God. Jesus saith unto him: Thomas, because thou hast seen Me, thou hast believed; blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed. And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His

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disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His Name. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Thou shalt make them princes in all lands: they shall remember Thy Name from one generation to another. *Ps.* xlv.

SECRET.

WE render unto Thee, O Lord, our bounden duty and service: humbly imploring Thee; that Thou wouldest guard Thy gifts within us, at the intercessions of Thy holy Apostle Thomas, in honour of whose confession we offer unto Thee the Sacrifice of thanksgiving. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Reach hither thy hand, and behold the print of the nails: and be not faithless, but believing. *St. John* xx.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O MERCIFUL God, let the receiving of this divine Sacrament, and the intercession of Thy blessed Apostle Thomas be profitable unto Thy people: that they may continually seek out the salvation of both soul and body, and abundantly receive the same. Through.

31. St. Silvester, Bp. Cf.

All as II. *in the Common of Bp. Cf. page* XIV.

JANUARY.

8. St. Lucian Pr. M. and his Companions.

Commemoration from Common of Many Martyrs, page VIII.

18. St. Prisca V. M.

In the Common, page XXII, INT. II., EP. I., GRAD. *and* Alleluia II., GOSPEL, OFFERT. II., COMM. II.

¶ *If this Feast fall during Septuagesima, the* Tract is *said instead of* Alleluia *and* ℣.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O almighty God: that we who celebrate the birthday of blessed Prisca Thy Virgin and Martyr, may both rejoice in her yearly festival, and profit by the example of so great faith. Through.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, graciously accept our gifts: and (at the intercession of blessed Prisca Thy Virgin and Martyr,) turn all our hearts to the worship of true religion. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let both these holy Mysteries, which we have received, as well as the de-

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vout intercession of blessed Prisca Thy Virgin and Martyr, help us. Through.

20. SS. Fabian and Sebastian MM.

All as I. *in the Common, page* VIII, *except:*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst strengthen Thy blessed Martyrs Fabian and Sebastian with the virtue of constancy and endurance in suffering: grant unto us, for the love of Thee, and in following of them, to despise the prosperous things of this world, neither to be afraid of any of its adversities. Through.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the offering of our devotion be acceptable in Thy sight: and let it be salvation to us (at their supplication), on whose day of suffering it is offered. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE humbly beseech Thee, O Lord, that we who have been fulfilled with the blessing of Thy Sacrament, and defended by the glorious confession of Thy blessed Martyrs Fabian and Sebastian, may thereby be cleansed from all our sins. Through.

21. St. Agnes V. M.

Common of V. M. page XXII, INT. III., EP. II., GRAD. and Alleluia, III., GOSPEL, OFFERT. *and* COMM. III.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who choosest the weak things of the world, to confound the strong: mercifully grant; that we who celebrate the feast of blessed Agnes Thy Martyr, may perceive the effect of her prayers with Thee. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, this Sacrifice, with which offering Thou hast graciously willed to be well pleased: and grant; that, (at the intercession of blessed Agnes, Thy Virgin and Martyr, and) through the effectual working of this ordinance, we may offer the service of our souls which shall be well pleasing unto Thee. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE being refreshed by the divine Offering, beseech Thee, O Lord our God: that, (at the intercession of blessed Agnes, Thy Virgin and Martyr,) Thou wouldest grant us to find help in this present life, and everlasting joy hereafter. Through.

22. St. Vincent M.

Common of a Martyr, page II, INT., LESSON, GRAD., Alleluia I. *If the feast fall in Septuagesima, the*

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TRACT *is said.* GOSPEL, OFFERT., COMM. I.

COLLECT.

BE present, O Lord, at our earnest supplications: that we who know that we are guilty of our iniquities, may be delivered therefrom (at the intercession of Thy blessed Martyr Vincent). Through.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, (at the intercession of Thy glorious Martyr Vincent,) that Thou wouldest make the Sacrifice which we offer to be well pleasing and acceptable unto Thee. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, Who art entreated by the prayers of blessed Vincent Thy Martyr, we beseech Thee, defend us by the virtue of the Sacrament we have received. Through.

24. St. Timothy Bp. M.

Common of Bp. M. page VI, *except:*

EPISTLE. I *Timothy* vi. 11.

DEARLY beloved, Follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses. I give thee charge in the sight of God, Who quickeneth all things, and before Christ Jesus, Who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession; that thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ: which in His time He shall shew, Who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; Whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to Whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen.

GOSPEL IV. *Common of a Martyr, page* V.

25. Conversion of St. Paul, Ap.

INTROIT. *Intonuit de cœlo.*

THE Lord thundered out of heaven, and the Highest gave His voice: He shall send down from on high to fetch me; for this cause will I give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, among the Gentiles. *Ps.* xviii. 13.

PSALM. I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my stony rock, and my defence, and my deliverer (*v.* 1). Glory. The Lord. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O God, Who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the

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world: grant, we beseech Thee; that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may shew forth our thankfulness unto Thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught. Through.

LESSON. *Acts* ix. 1.

AND Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest, and desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that, if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem. And, as he journeyed, he came near Damascus, and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven. And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him: Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou Me? And he said: Who art Thou, Lord? And the Lord said: I am Jesus Whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. And he, trembling and astonished, said: Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him; Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do. And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice but seeing no man. And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus. And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink. And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias, and to him said the Lord in a vision: Ananias. And he said: Behold, I am here, Lord. And the Lord said unto him: Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for behold, he prayeth, and hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias, coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight. Then Ananias answered: Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to Thy saints at Jerusalem; and here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on Thy Name. But the Lord said unto him: Go thy way; for he is a chosen vessel unto Me, to bear My Name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: for I will shew him how great things he must suffer for My Name's sake. And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and, putting his hands on him, said: Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy

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sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost. And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales; and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized. And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus. And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that He is the Son of God. But all that heard him were amazed, and said: Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this Name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests? But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

GRADUAL. He is a chosen vessel unto Me: to bear My Name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel. ℣. And I will shew him how great things: he must suffer for My Name's sake. *Acts* ix. 15.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, Who hath enabled me, for that He counted me faithful: putting me into the ministry, who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, alleluia. 1 *St. Tim.* i. 12. (*P.*)

In Septuagesima, instead of the Alleluias *and* ℣. *the* Tract *is said.*

TRACT. The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake: I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them. ℣. Thou stretchedst out Thy hand, O Lord: Thy right hand, O Lord, is become glorious in power. Thy right hand, O Lord, hath dashed in pieces the enemy: and in the greatness of Thine excellency, Thou hast overthrown them that rose up against Thee. ℣. Who is like unto Thee, O Lord, among the gods? who is like Thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders? *Ex.* xv. 9. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xix. 27.

PETER answered and said unto Jesus: Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed Thee; what shall we have therefore? And Jesus said unto them: Verily, I say unto you, That ye which have followed Me, in the regeneration when the Son of Man shall sit in the throne of His glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for My Name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life. But many that are first shall be last, and the last shall be first. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The Lord,

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even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me: that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost. *Acts* ix. 17. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O LORD, Who art the true light, and the Author of light, we beseech Thee that as Thou didst wonderfully reveal Thyself to blessed Paul, so Thou wouldest increase in us the virtue of faith, which Thou hast bestowed on us, and ever kindle in us the light of the Holy Ghost. Who livest. In the unity of the same. (*P.*)

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. I live, yet not I: but Christ liveth in me. *Gal.* ii. 20. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably receive the Sacrifice we have offered unto Thee, on this commemoration of the Conversion of Saint Paul, Thine Apostle: and as Thou didst make of a wolf, a sheep, and of an enemy, a soldier, so by the power of Thy grace, do Thou break the obstinacy of our rebellious wills. Through. (*P.*)

26. St. Polycarp, Bp. M.

Common of Bp. M., page VI, *except:* INT. II. *of Cf., page* XIV.

EPISTLE. 1 *St. John* iii. 10.

BELOVED, Whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother. For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous. Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you. We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

TRACT *in Common of Many Martyrs, page* XI.

GOSPEL II. *of One Martyr, page* IV.

27. St. John Chrysostom Abp. C. D.

All as in Common of Cf. D. page XVIII. *The Creed is said.*

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let Thy Church be filled with Thy heavenly grace: which Thou didst will that

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blessed John Chrysostom, Thy Confessor and Bishop, should shew forth in the glorious deeds of his life, as well as in the things which he taught. Through.

FEBRUARY.

1. St. Bridget V.

All as in the Common of a Virgin, page XXV.

2. The Presentation of Christ in the Temple,

COMMONLY CALLED

The Purification of St. Mary the Virgin.

THE BLESSING OF CANDLES.

¶ *After Sext, the priest vested in stole and cope,* standing, turned towards the East, at the Epistle side of the Altar, and on the top step, thus begins :*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

BLESS ✠ O Lord Jesus Christ, this creature of wax, at our supplication, and pour upon it Thy heavenly blessing, by virtue of the holy Cross: that as Thou hast granted it to the use of man for the driving away of darkness, so may it receive by the sign of the holy Cross such virtue and blessing, that in whatsoever place it shall be lighted or set up, the devil may depart, and flee away in fear and trembing, with all his host, from those dwellings, nor presume any more to disturb them that serve Thee, Who with God the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest God, world without end. Amen.

Let us pray.

O LORD, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, Who didst create all things out of nothing, and hast caused at Thy command by the work of bees this fluid to come to the perfection of wax: and Who didst as on this day fulfil the prayer of just Simeon: we humbly entreat Thee, that by the invocation of Thy holy Name, and at the intercession of holy Mary, ever Virgin, whose feast we devoutly celebrate to-day, and at the prayers of all Thy Saints, Thou wouldest vouchsafe to bl✠ess and hal✠low these candles, fashioned for the use of men and the health of their souls and bodies, whether on land or water; that from heaven Thy holy place, and from the seat of Thy Majesty, Thou mayest hear the voices of Thy people, who desire to carry them in their hands to Thy honour, and to exult in praising Thee, and be Thou merciful to all them that cry unto

* The Sarum rite prescribes no colour for the copes for the blessing and procession; according to the usage of York, it would be white; according to Roman use it would be violet.

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Thee, whom Thou hast redeemed with the precious blood of Thy Son. Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who didst will that Thine Only-begotten Son should this day be presented in Thy holy Temple in the arms of blessed Simeon: we humbly beseech Thy mercy; that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to bl✠ess and hal✠low, and to light with the light of Thy heavenly blessing, these candles, which we Thy servants desire to receive and bear, kindled with light, to the magnifying of Thy Name, to the end that we, offering them unto Thee the Lord our God, may be enflamed with the holy fire of Thy most sweet love, and may be counted worthy to be presented in the holy temple of Thy glory. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord: Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God.

℣. World without end. ℟. Amen. ℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with Thy Spirit. ℣. Lift up your hearts. ℟. We lift them up unto the Lord. ℣. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. ℟. It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, fount and source of all light, Who hast enlightened the world with the light of Thy brightness, by sending to us Thine Only-begotten Son, by the womb of a pure Virgin. And Him Whom Thou didst promise long before by the mouth of the prophets, in these last days Thou hast sent to be a light to the people which sat in darkness. We therefore beseech Thee, O Lord, vouchsafe to bl✠ess with Thy benediction these candles prepared for Thy Name, Thou Who hast translated us from the power of darkness into the light and kingdom of Thy beloved Son. By Whom a light hath sprung up in the darkness to them that are true of heart, and to be the joy of everlasting salvation. And Thou Who didst fulfil the long waiting of just Simeon, that he should not see death before he had seen with his eyes the Incarnation of the same Christ Thy Son, the light and salvation of the whole world; do Thou so fill us with the light of Thy brightness, that Thou mayest drive away from us all the darkness of unbelief; and as Thou didst let Thy servant on this day depart in peace, so vouchsafe to guide us in the peace of Thy Church; that we may be able to enter the haven of everlast-

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ing rest; to the end that the rays of the true light being shed abroad upon us, then in the day of judgment we may with joy, together with hymning bands of Angels, behold unweariedly the face of the Sun, Who with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

¶ *Here the candles are sprinkled with holy water and censed.*

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy Spirit.

Let us pray.

O LORD, holy Father almighty, light that never faileth, Who art the maker of all light, bless this light to be borne by Thy faithful in honour of Thy Name: to the end that we being hallowed and blessed by Thee may be kindled and enlightened by the light of Thy brightness; and vouchsafe mercifully to grant, that as Thou didst formerly enlighten Thy servant Moses, so do Thou enlighten our hearts and our senses, that we may be counted worthy to attain to the vision of Thine eternal brightness. Through Christ our Lord.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who didst send into the world Thine Only-begotten Son begotten of Thee before the worlds, but in due time incarnate of the Virgin Mary: to be the true and unfailing Light to drive away the darkness of mankind, and to kindle the light of faith and truth: mercifully grant, that as we are enlightened outwardly with the light of the body, so we may obtain to be enlightened inwardly with spiritual light. Through the same.

¶ *When the candles have been blessed, they are lighted and distributed, by the priest, turned towards the people, standing in the midst before the Altar, to the clergy first according to their rank, and then to the laity, all kneeling. When the priest begins to distribute the candles, the Antiphon and Canticle are sung by the Choir:*

A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel.

℣. Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace: according to Thy word.

ANT. A light, &c.

℣. For mine eyes have seen: Thy salvation.

ANT. A light, &c.

℣. Which Thou hast prepared: before the face of all people.

ANT. A light, &c.

℣. To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of Thy people Israel.

ANT. A light, &c.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

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ANT. A light, &c.

℣. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

ANT. A light, &c.

¶ *When the candles have been distributed, the priest says:* (*P.*)

℣. Thou, Lord, shalt light my candle.

℟. The Lord shall make my darkness to be light.

Let us pray.

O GOD, Who art the true Light, the Author and restorer of everlasting light, pour the brightness of Thine everlasting light into the hearts of Thy faithful people, that whatsoever in this holy temple of Thy glory is adorned with these burning lights, being set free from the stains of sin, may be presented before Thee in the Temple of Thy heavenly habitation, bearing the fruit of good works. Through the same.

THE PROCESSION.

¶ *The blessing and distribution of the candles being ended, the procession shall be formed in this manner: The priest puts incense into the censer and blesses it; then the deacon says:* Let us go forth in peace; *and the choir answers,* In the Name of Christ. Amen. *The thurifer goes first, carrying the censer smoking; then comes the Cross-bearer bearing the Cross between two acolytes bearing lighted candles; the choir follows in order, the priest comes last, with deacon and sub-deacon. After him the people proceed in order, the men first, and then the women and children. All bear lighted tapers in their hands. During the progress of the procession, any hymns or anthems suitable to the day may be sung, and the antiphon following.* (*Lyons and Paris Uses.*)

ANT. Hail, Virgin Mother of God, full of grace: for from Thee hath arisen the Sun of Righteousness, to give light to them that sit in darkness. Rejoice, thou just old man: as thou takest in thine arms, the Deliverer of our souls, Who giveth us the resurrection.

ANT. Simeon was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him.

ANT. It was revealed unto Simeon by the Holy Ghost: that he should not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

¶ *When the procession has come again before the entrance to the Choir, or Sanctuary, all stop for the Station, or pause at the entrance to the Choir, and that which follows is said or sung:*

RESPOND. And the glory of the Lord came into the

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house by the way of the gate: whose prospect is towards the East. And, behold, the glory of the Lord: filled the house. ℣. The parents brought the Child Jesus: into the Temple. And, behold, the glory of the Lord filled the house. ℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost. And, behold, the glory of the Lord: filled the house. ℣. Bring presents and come into His courts. ℟. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

Let us pray.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that Thine Only-begotten Son, Who by the Holy Ghost offered Himself without spot for us unto Thee, may cleanse our consciences from dead works, and may make us to become with Himself an acceptable sacrifice unto Thee. With Whom He liveth . . . in the unity of the same.

¶ *Then while they enter the Choir, they say*:

ANT. And when they had performed all things, according to the law of the Lord: they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth.

¶ *Then the Priests and Ministers change their violet for white vestments for Mass; at which all present should hold their candles lighted during the Gospel, and from the consecration to the end of the Communion.*

THE MASS.

INTROIT. *Suscepimus.*

WE wait for Thy loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of Thy temple: O God, according to Thy Name, so is Thy praise unto the world's end; Thy right hand is full of righteousness. *Ps.* xlviii. 8.

PSALM. Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God, even upon His holy hill (*v.* 1). Glory. We wait.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech Thy Majesty: that, as Thy Only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto Thee with pure and clean hearts. By the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Who liveth.

LESSON. *Malachi* iii. 1.

BEHOLD, I will send My messenger, and he shall prepare the way before Me: and the Lord, Whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to His temple; even the Messenger of the covenant, Whom ye delight in; behold, He shall come, saith the Lord of Hosts. But who may abide the day of His coming? and who shall stand when He appeareth? for He is like a refiner's fire, and like fuller's soap. And He shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; and He shall purify the sons

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of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness. Then shall the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the Lord, as in the days of old, and as in former years. And I will come near to you to judgement, and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false-swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not Me, saith the Lord of Hosts.

GRADUAL. The Desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of Hosts. ℣. The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of Hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of Hosts. *Hag.* ii. 7.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Sion: for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee, alleluia. *Isa.* xii. 6. (*P.*)

¶ *After Septuagesima.*

TRACT. Sacrifice, and meat-offering, Thou wouldest not, but Mine ears hast Thou opened. ℣. Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast Thou not required: then said I, Lo I come. ℣. In the volume of the book it is written of Me, that I should fulfil Thy will, O My God: I am content to do it; yea, Thy law is within My heart. *Ps.* xl. 8. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* ii. 22.

AND when the days of her purification, according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought Him to Jerusalem, to present Him to the Lord; as it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord; and to offer a sacrifice, according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtle-doves, or two young pigeons. And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him, after the custom of the law, then took he Him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said: Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word: for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, Which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a Light to lighten the Gentiles, and the Glory of Thy people Israel.* And

* Anciently the Gospel ended here.

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Joseph and His Mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of Him. And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary His Mother: Behold, this Child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against; yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also; that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed. And there was one Anna a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser; she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity: and she was a widow of about fourscore and four years; which departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. And she coming in that instant, gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of Him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem. And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee to their own city Nazareth. And the Child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. They brought Jesus to Jerusalem, to present Him to the Lord; and to offer a sacrifice, according to that which is said in the law of the Lord. *St. Luke* ii. 22.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that as on this day the gifts are consecrated by the adorable sacrifice of Thy Son: so, at the prayers of His glorious Mother, let the brightness of everlasting light be bestowed upon us. Through the same.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 68.

COMMUNION. It was revealed unto Simeon by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that Thou wouldest grant that the most holy Mysteries which Thou hast bestowed upon us for our strength and reparation: at the intercession of the blessed Ever Virgin Mary, may be unto us both a remedy in this world and in that which is to come. Through.

3. St. Blaise, Bp. M.

In the Common, INT. II. *of Cf. page* XIV; EP. I. of *Bp. M. page* VI; GRAD. I. Allel. II. *or* TRACT *in Septuagesima.* GOSP. II.; OFFERT. I.; COMM. II.; *of one M., page* III.

COLLECT.

O LORD, let Thy blessed Martyr Blaise entreat the aid of Thy mercy for us: that as we celebrate his festival, we may be sensible of his help before Thee. Through.

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SECRET.

WE offer, O Lord, to Thy Majesty these our oblations and sacrifices: beseeching Thee; that they may be accepted at the intercession of blessed Blaise Thy Martyr and Bishop, in whom did burn the love of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Who liveth.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the Mysteries which we have received on this commemoration of holy Blaise Thy Martyr and Bishop, ever preserve us: who to-day have kept the remembrance of his suffering with devotion and service. Through.

5. St. Agatha V. M.

INTROIT. *Gaudeamus.*

LET us all rejoice in the Lord, and celebrate this festival in honour of Agatha the Martyr, for whose passion the Angels rejoice, and praise the Son of God.

PSALM. My heart is inditing of a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made unto the king (xlv. 1). Glory. Let us all.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who amongst other miracles of Thy power, hast bestowed the victory of martyrdom even upon the weaker sex: mercifully grant; that as we celebrate the birthday of blessed Agatha, Thy Virgin and Martyr, so by following her example we may walk in the way that leadeth to Thee. Through.

LESSON II. *in the Common, page* XXIII.

GRADUAL. God shall help her with His countenance: God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed. ℣. The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God: the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most Highest.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ, alleluia.

Or TRACT *in Septuagesima,* GOSPEL, *and* OFFERT. III. *in the Common, page* XXIV.

SECRET.

IN commemoration of blessed Agatha Thy Virgin and Martyr, O Lord, we lay upon thine Altar the mystic gifts: humbly beseeching Thy Majesty; that (for her sake) we may be able to keep ourselves free from all touch and stain of sin. Through.

COMMUNION. He Who hath vouchsafed to heal me of all my wounds, and to restore my breast to my bosom: upon Him, the living God, do I call.

POSTCOMMUNION.

PROTECT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy fa-

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mily who have been refreshed with this heavenly Mystery: that, (at the intercession of blessed Agatha Thy Virgin and Martyr,) the remedies of everlasting salvation, which by Thine inspiration we continually seek after, we may of Thy bounty obtain. Through.

14. St. Valentine M.

In the Common, page II., INT. II.; LESSON II.; GRAD. II.; Allel. III.; *or* TRACT; GOSP. III.; OFFERT. II. COMM. III.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O almighty God: that we who solemnize the birthday festival of blessed Valentine, Thy Martyr, may, (at his intercession) be delivered from all the evils that threaten us. Through.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the prayers of Thy blessed Martyr Valentine effect, that the sacrifice which we offer, may be pleasing unto Thee. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

THOSE whom Thou hast refreshed with heavenly substance, O Lord, do Thou, we beseech Thee, for the sake of blessed Valentine Thy Martyr, mercifully set free from all adversities. Through.

23. Vigil of St. Matthias Ap.

All as in the Common, page I.

24. St. Matthias Ap.

¶ *In Leap year on the 25th.*

INTROIT. *Tu Domine.*

THOU, Lord, Which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two Thou hast chosen; that he may take part of this ministry and apostleship. *Acts* i. 24.

PSALM. Hold not Thy tongue, O God of my praise: for the mouth of the ungodly, yea, the mouth of the deceitful is opened upon me (cix. 1). Glory. Thou, Lord. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who into the place of the traitor Judas didst choose Thy faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the twelve Apostles: grant that Thy Church, being alway preserved from false Apostles, may be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors. Through.

LESSON. *Acts* i. 15.

IN those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, the number of the names together were about an hundred and twenty: Men and brethren, this Scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus: for he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this

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ministry. Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out. And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem, insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood. For it is written in the book of Psalms: Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and, His bishoprick let another take. Wherefore of these men which have companied with us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John, unto that same day that He was taken up from us, must one be ordained to be a witness with us of His resurrection. And they appointed two, Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed, and said: Thou, Lord, Which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two Thou hast chosen; that he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place. And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven Apostles.

GRADUAL. I have said, Thou art my God, my time is in Thy hand. ℣. The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground: yea, I have a goodly heritage. *Ps.* xxxi. 16, xvi. 7.

TRACT. The mouth of the ungodly, yea, the mouth of the deceitful is opened upon me. ℣. When sentence is given upon him, let him be condemned: and let his prayer be turned into sin. ℣. Let his days be few: and let another take his office. *Ps.* cix. 1. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xi. 25.

AT that time Jesus answered and said: I thank Thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because Thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Thy sight. All things are delivered unto Me of My Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him. Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit

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should remain. *St. John* xv. 16. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O GOD, Who by the choice of blessed Matthias didst supply the loss of the apostate traitor, that the sacred number of Thine Apostles might not lack perfection: hallow these gifts here present, and through them strengthen us with the power of Thy grace. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Giving thanks unto the Father, Which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son. *Col.* i. 12. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O ALMIGHTY God, let the Sacrifice which we have received be pleasing unto Thy divine Majesty: and even as Thou didst join, by lot, blessed Matthias the Apostle to the number of Thine own people; so of Thy mercy do thou vouchsafe to give us a portion in the inheritance of the Saints. Through. (*P.*)

MARCH.

1. St. David, Abp. Cf.

All as I. *in the Common, page* XIV.

2. St. Chad, Bp. Cf.

All as II. *in the Common, page* XIV.

7. SS. Perpetua and Felicitas, MM.

All as I. *in the Common, page* XXVI., *except* GRAD. II.

COLLECT.

GRANT us, we beseech Thee, O Lord our God, continually to reverence the palms of Thy holy Martyrs Perpetua and Felicitas: that although we cannot worthily imitate them in inward spirit, we may at least commemorate them with humble devotion and service. Through.

SECRET.

LOOK down, we beseech Thee, O Lord, upon the gifts laid upon Thine altars, in commemoration of Thy holy Martyrs Perpetua and Felicitas: and forasmuch as Thou hast bestowed glory upon them through these blessed Mysteries, so Thou wouldest of Thy bounty grant us both pardon and grace. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE, being strengthened by the festival of Thy holy Martyrs Perpetua and Felicitas, and quickened by the divine gift of the Sacrament, beseech Thee, O Lord, that as of Thy grace, we are cherished with Thy good things which are temporal,

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so we may enjoy those that are eternal. Through.

12. St. Gregory, P.C.D.

In the Common of Cf. D. page XVIII. LESSON I. *The Creed.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast rewarded the soul of Thy servant Gregory with everlasting bliss: mercifully grant; that as we are oppressed with the weight of our sins, so through his prayers we may receive Thy gracious help. Through.

SECRET.

LET the intercession, we beseech Thee, O Lord, of Thy most blessed Confessor and Bishop Gregory commend our gifts to Thy mercy: that what for our unworthiness we cannot, his supplication may obtain for us. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD God, we who are filled with the food of the sacred Body and precious Blood, do beseech Thee, that what we celebrate now with godly devotion, (at the intercession of blessed Gregory Thy Confessor and Bishop,) we may attain unto in sure and certain redemption. Through.

17. St. Patrick, Bp. Cf.

As I. *in the Common, page* XIV. COMM. III.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast translated to heavenly glory blessed Patrick, the Apostle of Ireland, who was adorned with such manifold miracles: grant, we beseech Thee; that we being holpen by Thee for his sake, (at his prayers,) may attain unto the rewards of everlasting blessedness. Through.

SECRET.

BEHOLD, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the gifts which Thy people offer Thee in honour of blessed Patrick Thy Confessor and Bishop: and let the testimony of Thy truth be profitable to us to our salvation. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

THOSE whom Thou dost refresh with Thy holy Sacraments, mercifully raise up, O Lord (at the intercession of Saint Patrick Thy Confessor and Bishop): that we may receive the effect of our redemption both in Mysteries as well as in our lives. Through.

18. St. Edward, K. & M.

In the Common of a Martyr, page II. INT. III.; LESSON II.; GRAD. I.; TRACT; GOSP. IV.; OFFERT. I. COMM. III.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who rulest over the everlasting kingdom, graciously behold Thy family, who celebrate the martyrdom of King Edward: and grant; that as Thou hast vouchsafed

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to glorify him with the gift of heaven, so be pleased mercifully, (at his intercession,) to make us meet to be partakers with him of everlasting happiness. Through.

SECRET.

LOOK down, we beseech Thee, O eternal God, on this humble sacrifice which we offer to Thee in honour of Thy King and Martyr Edward: which oblation under a wonderful dispensation Thou hast willed to consecrate to Thyself: and grant us, (at his prayers,) so to live innocently in this life, that we may come to Thine eternal joys. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, let these holy Things which we have taken purify us: and (at the intercession of Thy blessed Martyr and King Edward,) bring us to the fellowship of Thy continual blessings. Through.

19. St. Joseph, Spouse of Our Lady.

INTROIT. *Constituit eum.*

GOD made him lord also of His house: and ruler of all His substance. *In Easter-tide* Alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* cv. 21.

PSALM. O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon His Name, tell the people what things He hath done (*v.* 1). Glory. God made.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst provide Saint Joseph to be the foster-father of Thine Only-begotten Son, and to be the guardian for His Virgin Mother: mercifully grant; that he may be to us both a patron and also a protector, and (at his intercession) do Thou give unto us to die the death of the righteous, in Thine embrace. Through the same.

LESSON. *Wisdom* viii. 16.

AFTER I am come into mine house, I will repose myself with Wisdom: for her conversation hath no bitterness; and to live with her hath no sorrow, but mirth and joy. Now when I considered these things in myself, and pondered them in my heart, how that to be allied unto Wisdom is immortality; and great pleasure it is to have her friendship; and in the works of her hands are infinite riches; and in the exercise of conference with her, prudence; and in talking with her, a good report; I went about seeking how to take her to me.

¶ *During Lent.*

GRADUAL. Thou shalt prevent him with the blessings of goodness, O Lord: and shalt set a crown of pure gold upon his head. ℣. He asked life of Thee: and Thou gavest him a long life, even for ever and ever. *Ps.* xxi. 3, 4.

TRACT. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord: he hath

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great delight in His commandments. ℣. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the faithful shall be blessed. ℣. Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever. *Ps.* cxii. 1.

¶ *During Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Great is his glory in Thy salvation, O Lord: glory and great riches shalt Thou lay upon him. Alleluia. ℣. Joseph was the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, Who is called Christ, alleluia. *Ps.* xx. 5. *St. Matt.* i. 16.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* i. 18.

THE birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as His Mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the Angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying: Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary, thy wife: for That Which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost: and she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His Name JESUS; for He shall save His people from their sins. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Joseph found grace in his Lord's sight, and he served Him: and He made him overseer over His house, and all that He had He put in his hand. *In Easter-tide* Alleluia. *Gen.* xxxix. 4.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that as Saint Joseph reverently ministered with his hands to Thine Only-begotten Son, born of the Virgin Mary, so we may be enabled to serve at Thine Altar with pure and clean hearts. Through the same.

COMMUNION. He that waiteth on his Master shall be honoured. *In Easter-tide* Alleluia. *Prov.* xxvii. 18.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD Jesus Christ, we who have been now refreshed with Thy Body and Blood, do humbly beseech Thee, that like as Thou wast pleased to be subject to Thy parents, so do Thou make us ever to obey Thy holy commandments. Who livest.

¶ *This Service is taken from the Paris Use, none being provided in the Sarum book; though St. Joseph's name occurs in some later editions of the Sarum Kalendar.*

20. St Cuthbert, Bp. Cf.

In the Common, page XIV., INT. LESSON I.; GRAD. II.; TRACT; GOSP. I.; OFFERT. II.; COMM. II.

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COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by Thy priceless gift of grace dost make Thy Saints to be glorious: grant, we beseech Thee; that, (at the intercession of blessed Cuthbert, Thy Confessor and Bishop,) we may be enabled to attain unto perfect virtue. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the Sacrifice for the redemption of mankind, and, (at the intercession of blessed Cuthbert, Thy Confessor and Bishop,) do Thou be pleased mercifully to work in us salvation both of soul and body. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the holy Mysteries, which we have received, protect us by their virtue: and, (at the intercession of blessed Cuthbert, Thy Confessor and Bishop, whose life did so gloriously shine forth,) keep us ever in peace and holiness. Through.

21. St. Benedict, Abbat.

As in the Common, page XIX.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who on this day didst raise Thy most blessed Confessor Benedict up to heaven, when he was released from the prison of the flesh: grant, we beseech Thee, to us Thy servants who celebrate this feast, remission of all our sins; that those who with hearts rejoicing do join in the joy of his greatness, may (at his intercession with Thee) share in the fellowship of his good deeds. Through.

SECRET.

O LORD, let the gifts which we offer, in honour of blessed Benedict Thy Confessor and Abbat, be pleasing unto Thee: and, (at his supplication) do Thou grant us pardon of all our sins. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, let the receiving of Thy Sacrament, (at the intercession of blessed Benedict Thy Confessor and Abbat) aid us both to imitate the example of his conversation, and to attain to his reward. Through.

25. Annunciation of Our Lady.

INTROIT. *Rorate cœli.*

DROP down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation. *In Easter-tide* Alleluia, alleluia. *Isa.* xlv. 8.

PSALM. Let righteousness spring up together: I the Lord have created it (*v.* 8). Glory. Drop down.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, pour Thy grace into our

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hearts: that, as we have known the Incarnation of Thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel, so by His cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of His resurrection. Through the same.

LESSON. *Isaiah* vii. 10.

MOREOVER, the Lord spake again unto Ahaz, saying: Ask thee a sign of the Lord thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above. But Ahaz said: I will not ask, neither will I tempt the Lord. And he said: Hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? Therefore the Lord Himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son, and shall call His Name Immanuel. Butter and honey shall He eat, that He may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

¶ *During Lent.*

GRADUAL. Lift up your heads, O ye gates: and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory shall come in. ℣. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord: or who shall rise up in His holy place? even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart.

TRACT. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. ℣. Blessed art thou among women: and blessed is the Fruit of thy womb. ℣. The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee: and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee. ℣. Therefore also that Holy Thing Which shall be born of thee, shall be called the Son of God.

¶ *During Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.

The second Alleluia *shall be one of those from the Office of St. Richard following.*

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* i. 26.

AND in the sixth month the Angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a Virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the Virgin's name was Mary. And the Angel came in unto her, and said: Hail, thou that art highly favoured*; the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women. And when she saw him she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the Angel said unto her: Fear not, Mary; for thou hast found favour with God. And behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a Son, and shalt call His Name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called

* *That is*, full of grace.

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the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of His father David. And He shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of His kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the Angel: How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the Angel answered and said unto her: The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that Holy Thing Which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And behold thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren: for with God nothing shall be impossible. And Mary said: Behold, the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the Angel departed from her. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Sacrifice and offering Thou wouldest not, but a Body hast Thou prepared Me: in burnt-offerings and sacrifices for sin Thou hast had no pleasure; then said I, Lo, I come. *In Eastertide,* Alleluia. *Heb.* x. 5. (*P.*)

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, confirm in our minds the mysteries of the true faith: that we who stedfastly confess Him Who was conceived of a Virgin, to be very God and very Man; may, through the power of the same saving Incarnation, be enabled to come to everlasting joy. Through the same.

¶ PROPER PREFACE, *page* 70

COMMUNION. Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son: and shall call His Name Immanuel. *Is.* vii.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Whose Word made Flesh, is the living and true Bread of the souls of men: grant, we beseech Thee; that we may evermore hunger for this Bread, whereby our faith is nourished, hope is set forward, and charity is strengthened. Through the same. (*P.*)

APRIL.

3. St. Richard, Bp. Cf.

As in the Common, page XIV, INT., LESSON, GRAD., TRACT, GOSP. I.

In Easter-tide Allel. I.; *the second* Alleluia *will be one of the following:*

Alleluia. ℣. Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent, alleluia.

Alleluia. ℣. It behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise again from the dead, and so to enter into His glory, alleluia.

Alleluia. ℣. Christ being raised from the dead, dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over Him, alleluia.

Alleluia. ℣. The Most

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High hath risen from the grave, Who hung for us upon the Tree, alleluia.

Alleluia. ℣. Christ hath risen, and hath enlightened His people; whom He redeemed with His Blood, alleluia.

Alleluia. ℣. Christ died for our sins: and rose again for our justification, alleluia.

Alleluia. ℣. Jesus our Lord rose, and stood in the midst of His disciples: and said: Peace be unto you, alleluia.

Alleluia. ℣. The Lord arose, and meeting the women, He said: All hail! then they came and held Him by the feet, alleluia.

Alleluia. ℣. On the day of My resurrection, saith the Lord: I will go before you into Galilee, alleluia.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

GOSPEL. *St. John* XV. 1.

JESUS said to His disciples: I am the true vine, and My Father is the husbandman. Every branch in Me that beareth not fruit He taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, He purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in Me. I am the vine, ye are the branches: he that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without Me ye can do nothing. If a man abide not in Me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

OFFERT. *and* COMM. I., *page* XVII.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast made Thy Church to shine by the deeds and glorious miracles of blessed Richard, Thy Confessor and Bishop: grant that we, Thy servants, (through his intercession,) may attain to the blessedness of eternal glory. Through.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O merciful God, that, (at the intercession of blessed Richard, Thy Confessor and Bishop,) the gift we have offered before the eyes of Thy Majesty may both obtain for us the grace of good living, and bring us to everlasting glory. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET these most holy Mysteries which we have received, O Lord, bestow upon us the effects of Thy saving health: of which blessed Richard, Thy Confessor and

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Bishop, was a faithful and devout dispenser. Through.

4. St. Ambrose, Bp. Cf. D.

In the Common INT. III. *of Cf., page* XIV.; EP. II. *Cf. D., page* XVIII.; GRAD. III. *and* TRACT, GOSP. III., OFFERT. I., *and* COMM. III., *from the same. The Creed is said. But in Easter-tide* Alleluia I., *and second* Allel. *one of those on page* 457. GOSP. *St. John* XV. *page* 458.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst give blessed Ambrose to Thy people for a minister of everlasting salvation: grant, we beseech Thee; that as he has been the instructor of our life here upon earth, he may alway be our intercessor in heaven. Through.

SECRET.

LET this Sacrifice, O God, (at the intercession of Thy most blessed Confessor Ambrose,) both abide in us by its action, and be confirmed in us by its effectual working. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the prayer of Saint Ambrose continually follow us: that what our own praying obtaineth not, may yet be granted unto us at his intercession. Through.

19. St. Alphege, Abp. M.

As in the Common, page III., INT. IV.; EP. II. *in Common of Bp. M., page* VI.; Allel. IV., *Common of Cf., page* XV. *Second* Allel. *and* GOSP., *page* 457. OFFERT. III., *and* COMM. IV., *Common of M., page* V.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst adorn Saint Alphege, Thy Bishop, with the dignity of the priesthood, and the palm of martyrdom: mercifully grant us, so to be assisted by his intercessions with Thee, that we may rejoice with him in everlasting happiness. Through.

SECRET.

DO Thou Thyself, bless, O Lord, and receive these gifts which we have laid upon Thine Altar, that, (at the intercession of blessed Alphege, Thy Martyr and Bishop,) they may profit us to our present health and our everlasting salvation. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

HAVING received the Sacrament, O Lord, we humbly beseech Thy mercy, that, (at the intercession of blessed Alphege, Thy Martyr and Bishop,) what we perform in this time present, we may receive unto eternal life. Through.

23. St. George, M.

In the Common, page III, INT. IV. Allel. I.; *second* Allel. *and* GOSP. I am the true vine, *page* 457; OFFERT. III.; COMM. V. *The Creed is said.*

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COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost make us to rejoice in the good deeds and intercession of blessed George Thy Martyr: mercifully grant; that the benefits we ask of Thee, (at his prayers,) we may obtain by the gift of Thy grace. Through.

EPISTLE. *St. James* i. 2.

MY brethren, Count it all joy . . . . . them that love Him. *See Epistle of SS. Philip and James, page* 462.

SECRET.

WE offer Thee, O Lord, this solemn Sacrifice on the passion of Saint George Thy Martyr: beseeching Thy mercy; that through these most holy Mysteries we may in Thy victory conquer the temptation of our old enemy, and of Thy bounty obtain the prize of our everlasting reward. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

BEING filled with the sweetness of Thy heavenly table, we humbly pray Thee, almighty Father, that, (at the intercession of blessed George Thy Martyr,) we may be made partakers of His resurrection, by Whose death we have been redeemed. Who liveth.

25. St. Mark, Ev.

INTROIT IV., *page* III.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who hast instructed Thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of Thy Evangelist Saint Mark: give us grace, that, being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of Thy holy Gospel. Through.

EPISTLE. *Ephesians* iv. 7.

UNTO every one of us is given grace, according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore He saith, When He ascended up on high, He led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. Now that He ascended, what is it but that He also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He That descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that He might fill all things. And He gave some Apostles, and some Prophets, and some Evangelists, and some Pastors and Teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the Body of Christ: till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ; that we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love, may grow up

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into Him in all things, Which is the head, even Christ: from Whom the whole body fitly joined together, and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body, unto the edifying of itself in love.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The first shall say to Sion, Behold, behold them: and I will give to Jerusalem one that bringeth good tidings. *Is.* xli. 27. *The second* Allel. *page* 457.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xv. 1.

I AM the true vine, and My Father is the husbandman. Every branch in Me that beareth not fruit He taketh away; and every branch that beareth fruit, He purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in Me. I am the vine, ye are the branches. He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without Me ye can do nothing. If a man abide not in Me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Herein is My Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be My disciples. As the Father hath loved Me, so have I loved you: continue ye in My love. If ye keep My commandments, ye shall abide in My love; even as I have kept My Father's commandments, and abide in His love. These things have I spoken unto you, that My joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY III., *page* v.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, as we bring our gifts unto Thee on this solemnity of Thy Evangelist Saint Mark, that as by his preaching of the Gospel Thou hast made him glorious: so (at his intercession) Thou wilt be pleased to make us acceptable unto Thyself, both in word and deed. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION IV. *page* VI.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE who have been refreshed with the nourishment of spiritual food, do beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that what we draw nigh unto in Mystery, (at the intercession of blessed Mark the Evangelist,) we may obtain in the fulness of the virtue thereof. Through.

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MAY.

1. SS. Philip and James, App.

INTROIT. *Clamaverunt ad Te.*

THEY cried unto Thee, O Lord, in the time of their trouble: and Thou heardest them from heaven, alleluia, alleluia. *Neh.* ix. 27.

PSALM. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful (xxxiii. 1). Glory. They cried.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, Whom truly to know is everlasting life: grant us perfectly to know Thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life; that, following the steps of Thy holy Apostles, Saint Philip and Saint James, we may stedfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life. Through the same Thy Son.

EPISTLE. *St. James* i. 1.

JAMES, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting. My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, That giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not, and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering; for he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea, driven with the wind, and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive anything of the Lord. A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways. Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted; but the rich in that he is made low; because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away. For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The righteous man shall stand in great boldness: before the face of such as have afflicted him. Alleluia. ℣. Did not our heart burn within us: while He talked with us by the way concerning Jesus? alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xiv. 1.

AND Jesus said unto His disciples: Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not

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so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you: and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself, that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto Him: Lord, we know not whither Thou goest, and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him: I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by Me. If ye had known Me, ye should have known My Father also: and from henceforth ye know Him, and have seen Him. Philip saith unto Him: Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us. Jesus saith unto him: Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known Me, Philip? He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of Myself; but the Father that dwelleth in Me, He doeth the works. Believe Me, that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me; or else believe Me for the very works' sake. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto My Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in My Name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in My Name, I will do it. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Jesus shewed Himself alive after His Passion to His Apostles by many infallible proofs: being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God, alleluia. *Acts* i. 3. *(P.)*

SECRET.

O GOD, Who hast redeemed and perfected Thy Church: grant that, (at the prayers of Thy Apostles Philip and James,) we may receive the gifts of the Easter Sacrament, under whose rule and governance Thou didst will that they should be preached. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known Me, Philip? He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father; alleluia: believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? alleluia, alleluia. *St. John* xiv. 9.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE who are recalling the Paschal Mystery, beseech Thee, O Lord, that we may be cherished by the prayers of Thy blessed Apostles Philip and James, under whose rule and governance we have known the performance of this duty. Through.

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3. Invention of the Holy Cross.

INTROIT. *Nos autem.*

BUT it behoveth us to glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in Whom is our salvation, life, and resurrection: by Whom we have been saved and delivered, alleluia, alleluia. *Gal.* vi. 14.

PSALM. God be merciful unto us, and bless us: and shew us the light of His countenance, and be merciful unto us (lxvii. 1). Glory. But it behoveth.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who in the wonderful Invention of the saving Cross didst renew the miracles of Thy Passion: grant; that by the ransom paid on that life-giving Tree we may find help and obtain everlasting life. Who livest.

EPISTLE III., *page* III.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Sweetest wood, and sweetest nails, that bore so sweet a weight; thou alone wast counted worthy to support the King of heaven and the Lord. Alleluia. ℣. Tell it out among the heathen: that the Lord reigneth from the Tree, alleluia.

GOSPEL, *as on Trinity Sunday, page* 375. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Protect Thy people, O Lord, by the sign of the holy Cross, from their enemies that lie in wait for them: that we may render our service pleasing unto Thee, and so that our sacrifice may be acceptable unto Thee, alleluia.

SECRET.

BE pleased, O Lord, graciously to look down upon the sacrifice which we offer unto Thee: that it may set us free from the wickedness of the battle that is against us, and that, through the banner of the holy Cross of Thy Son, it may so stablish us in safety under Thy protection, that we may overcome all the might and subtilty of our adversaries. Through the same.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 68.

COMMUNION. By a tree we were made slaves: and by the holy Cross we have been set free: the fruit of a tree beguiled us: the Son of God redeemed us, alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, almighty God, to defend us, who have now been filled with heavenly nourishment, and refreshed with spiritual drink, from all malice of the enemy, forasmuch as Thou dost make us always to triumph through the Tree of the holy Cross of Thy Son, which is the armour of righteousness for the salvation of the world. Who liveth.

6. St. John, Ev. ante Port. Lat.

INTROIT. *Noli timere.*

FEAR not; thou art Mine: when thou walkest through

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the fire, thou shalt not be burned: neither shall the flame kindle upon thee; for I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour, alleluia, alleluia. *Isa.* xliii. 1—3.

PSALM. I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my stony rock, and my defence, my Saviour (xviii. 1). Glory. Fear not. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who seest that our evils trouble us on every side: grant, we beseech Thee; that the glorious intercession of blessed John, Thy Apostle and Evangelist, may protect us. Through.

LESSON. *Revelation* i. 9.

I JOHN, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ. I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet, saying: What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pegamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea. (*P.*)

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. When He hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold: my foot hath held His steps. Alleluia. ℣. Blessed are they that have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb, that they may have right to the tree of life, alleluia. *Job.* xxiii. 10; *Rev.* xxii. 14. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* x. 35.

AND James and John, the sons of Zebedee, come unto Jesus, saying: Master, we would that Thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire. And He said unto them: What would ye that I should do for you? They said unto Him: Grant unto us that we may sit, one on Thy right hand, and the other on Thy left hand, in Thy glory. But Jesus said unto them: Ye know not what ye ask: can ye drink of the cup that I drink of? and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? And they said unto Him: We can. And Jesus said unto them: Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized: but to sit on My right hand and on My left hand is not Mine to give; but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared. (*P.*) *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized, alleluia. *St. Mark* x. 39. (*P*)

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SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to cleanse us, beholding this pure oblation: and as Thou didst preserve Saint John unharmed in the boiling oil; so vouchsafe to keep us unspotted amid the divers fires of our lusts. Through. (*P.*)

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. John bare record of the Word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw, alleluia. *Rev.* i. 2. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who by blessed John, Thy Apostle and Evangelist, hast revealed the secret things of Thy Word to Thy Church: grant, we beseech Thee; that those things which by the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, he hath poured into our ears, we may by the help of the same Spirit be able to believe with the heart, and to confess in word and work. Through the same. . . . in the unity of the same. (*P.*)

19. St. Dunstan, Abp.

In the Common, page XIV, INT. III.; LESS. I.; GRAD. III.; Allel. V.; GOSP. I.; *but in Easter-tide*, GOSP. *page* 458. OFFERT. II.; COMM. II.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast translated the blessed Dunstan Thy high priest to Thy kingdom in heaven: grant, that we, for his glorious sake, may pass to never ending joys. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the gifts which Thy suppliant people bring before Thee on the solemnity of blessed Dunstan Thy Confessor and Bishop: entreating Thee that we, who are aided by his protection, may be defended from all snares of the enemy. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

HELP us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, at the prayers of blessed Dunstan, Thy Confessor and Bishop, in whose honour we have approached Thy Sacrament. Through.

26. St. Augustine, Abp.

Apostle of England.

In the Common, page XIV, INT. II.; LESSON I., *page* XVIII; GRAD. *and* Allel. II., *page* XV., GOSP. *as on feast of St. Luke, page* 517; *in Easter-tide, second* Alleluia *and* GOSPEL, *page* 457; *the Creed*; OFFERT. *and* COMM. II., *page* XVII.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst appoint the blessed Augustine, Thy chief Bishop, to be the first teacher of the English people: grant us, we beseech Thee; that as we declare his good deeds on earth, we may perceive the assistance of his prayers with Thee in heaven. Through.

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SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the gifts we offer be pleasing unto Thee, wherewith we both reverence the good deeds of blessed Augustine Thy Confessor and Bishop, and call to mind the marks and pledges of our life and freedom. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET Thy Holy Things, O Lord, we beseech Thee, which we have tasted to-day on this solemnity of blessed Augustine, Thy Confessor and Bishop, refresh us: that we may continually be satisfied, and ever desire to be fulfilled with the same. Through.

27. Venerable Bede, Pr. Cf. D.

In the Common, INT. *page* XIX; LESSON II., *page* III; GRAD. *and* Allel. I., *page* XV; GOSP. *page* XXI; OFFERT. I.; COMM. III. *page* XVII.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who makest Thy Church illustrious by the learning of blessed Bede, Thy Confessor and Doctor: mercifully grant to Thy servants; that they may be enlightened by his wisdom, and aided for his sake. Through.

The Secret and Postcommunion from Common of Cf. D. page XIX.

JUNE.

1. St. Nicomede, Pr. M.

In the Common of a Martyr, INT. I., *page* II; LESSON I.; GRAD. *and* Allel. II.; GOSP. III.; OFFERT. *and* COMM. II.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost make us to rejoice in the good deeds and intercession of blessed Nicomede, Thy Martyr: mercifully grant; that his aid which we ask of Thee, we may obtain by the gift of Thy grace. Through.

SECRET.

HALLOW, O Lord, the gifts we offer, and, (at the intercession of blessed Nicomede Thy Martyr,) cleanse us through them from all the stains of our sins. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE humbly beseech Thee, O almighty God, that Thou wouldest grant, that those whom Thou dost restore with Thy Sacraments, may, (at the intercession of blessed Nicomede Thy Martyr,) also by their good conversation worthily serve and please Thee. Through.

5. St. Boniface, Bp. M., and his Companions.

In the Common of Many Martyrs, all as II., *page* VIII.

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COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who upon blessed Boniface and his Companions didst bestow the crown of Martyrdom: so grant us, we beseech Thee, pardon, (for their sake,) as Thou hast vouchsafed of Thy bounty to give them the crown of victory. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, almighty God, the offering of Thy servants, which we humbly make before Thee in honour of blessed Boniface Thy Martyr, and his Companions: that, at their prayers, who offered themselves to Thee as a sacrifice of praise for a sweet smelling savour, we may be accounted worthy to be united to Thy Only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Who liveth.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET Thy mercy, O God, through this Sacrament which we have received, (at the intercession of blessed Boniface Thy Martyr and his Companions,) both throughly cleanse us from all lurking remains of our old nature, and make and keep us fit for newness and holiness of life. Through.

11. St. Barnabas, Ap.

INTROIT, *page* 429.

COLLECT.

O LORD, God almighty, Who didst endue Thy holy Apostle Barnabas with singular gifts of the Holy Ghost: leave us not, we beseech Thee, destitute of Thy manifold gifts, nor yet of grace to use them alway to Thy honour and glory. Through.

LESSON. *Acts* xi. 22.

TIDINGS of these things came unto the ears of the Church which was in Jerusalem; and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch. Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad; and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord. For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost, and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord. Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul. And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the Church, and taught much people: and the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch. And in these days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit, that there should be great dearth throughout all the world; which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cæsar. Then the disciples, every man ac-

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cording to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judæa. Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

GRADUAL, *page* 434.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xv. 12.

THIS is My commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are My friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of My Father, I have made known unto you. Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in My Name, He may give it you. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY, *page* 431.

SECRET.

WE offer Thee, O Lord, the sacrifice of propitiation on this solemnity of Thy blessed Apostle Barnabas: and, (for the sake of his prayers,) grant us, we beseech Thee, both to understand as well as to follow after this help of our redemption. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Ye that have followed Me, shall sit upon twelve thrones: judging the twelve tribes of Israel. *St. Matt.* xix.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the heavenly Sacrament, which we have offered to Thy Majesty, in honour of the passion of Thy blessed Apostle Barnabas, (for the sake of his intercession,) be profitable unto our salvation, forasmuch as upon his birthday we have received the same. Through.

14. St. Basil, Abp. Cf.

All as I., *in the Common, page* XIV. *The Creed.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst vouchsafe to choose blessed Basil Thy Confessor to be a chief Doctor and preacher of the Catholic faith: grant, we beseech Thee, that, (he interceding for us) we may be accounted worthy to be set free from the evil of our sins, and to serve Thee the Lord with quiet minds. Through.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the gift which we offer, (at the supplication of Saint Basil Thy Confessor and Bishop,) be made unto us a perpetual means of salvation. Through.

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POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, let the glorious intercession of blessed Basil, Thy Confessor and chief Bishop, obtain for us that the Sacrament of heavenly healing may evermore minister grace unto us. Through.

17.* St. Alban, M.

In the Common, page II, INT., GRAD. Allel. II.; GOSP. III.; OFFERT. II.; COMM. III.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast hallowed this day by the martyrdom of blessed Alban: grant, we beseech Thee; that as we yearly rejoice in his festival, so we may be encouraged by his continual help. Through.

LESSON. *Wisdom* iv. 7.

BUT though the righteous be prevented with death, yet shall he be in rest. For honourable age is not that which standeth in length of time, nor that is measured by number of years. But wisdom is the gray hair unto men, and an unspotted life is old age. He pleased God, and was beloved of Him: so that living among sinners he was translated. Yea, speedily was he taken away, lest that wickedness should alter his understanding, or deceit beguile his soul. He being made perfect in a short time, fulfilled a long time: for his soul pleased the Lord: therefore hasted He to take him away from among the wicked; for His grace and mercy is with His Saints, and He hath respect unto His chosen.

SECRET.

O LORD, like as we do declare Thy marvellous acts in reverencing blessed Alban Thy Martyr, so now we beseech Thy mercy by this holy office of reconciliation, that he may ever remain our faithful and devout suppliant. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thy sacred Majesty, that Thy blessed Martyr Alban may ever entreat Thee, that Thy Sacraments may cleanse us from all our guilt. Through.

20. Translation of St. Edward, K.M.

In the Common, page II, INT. III.; LESSON II.; GRAD. I.; Allel. III.; GOSP. IV.; OFFERT. V.; COMM. I.

The COLLECT *is the same as on March* 18, *page* 452, *the word* Translation *being said instead of* Martyrdom. *The Secret and Postcommunion are also the same.*

* According to other Kalendars the 22nd is the day on which this feast is held.

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23. Vigil of St. John the Baptist.

INTROIT. *Ne timeas.*

FEAR not, Zacharias, for thy prayer is heard: and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John; and he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost even from his mother's womb: and many shall rejoice at his birth. *St. Luke* i. 13.

PSALM. The king shall rejoice in Thy strength, O Lord: exceeding glad shall he be of Thy salvation (xxi. 1). Glory. Fear not.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O almighty God, that Thy family may walk in the way of salvation: and by following the exhortation of blessed John the forerunner, may in all safety attain unto Him Whom he foretold, our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son. Who liveth.

LESSON. *Jeremiah* i. 4.

IN those days: The word of of the Lord came unto me, saying: Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations. Then said I: Ah, Lord God! behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child. But the Lord said unto me: Say not, I am a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak. Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the Lord. Then the Lord put forth His hand, and touched my mouth. And the Lord said unto me: Behold, I have put My words in thy mouth. See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant, saith the Lord almighty.

GRADUAL. There was a man sent from God; whose name was John. ℣. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light: to make ready a people prepared for the Lord. *St. John* i.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* i. 5.

THERE was in the days of Herod, the king of Judæa, a certain priest named Zacharias, of the course of Abia: and his wife was of the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elisabeth. And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless. And they had no child, because that Elisabeth was barren, and they both were now well stricken in years. And it came to pass that while he executed the priest's

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office before God in the order of his course, according to the custom of the priest's office, his lot was to burn incense when he went into the temple of the Lord. And the whole multitude of the people were praying without at the time of incense. And there appeared unto him an Angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense. And when Zacharias saw him, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him. But the Angel said unto him: Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John. And thou shalt have joy and gladness; and many shall rejoice at his birth. For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb. And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God. And he shall go before Him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.

OFFERTORY. Through Thee, O Lord, have I been holden up ever since I was born: Thou art He that took me out of my mother's womb; my praise shall be always of Thee. *Ps.* lxx. 5. (*P.*)

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that as blessed John the Baptist bore witness, He Thy Lamb, Who is set forth in these present Mysteries, may ever cleanse us from all our sins. Who liveth.

COMMUNION. Behold, I send My messenger before Thy face, which shall prepare Thy way before Thee. *St. Mark* i. 2. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the excellent prayer of blessed John the Baptist accompany us, O Lord: and may he entreat Him to be reconciled to us, Whom he foretold should come, even our Lord Jesus Christ. Who liveth.

24. Nativity of St. John the Baptist.

With an Octave.

INTROIT. *De ventre.*

THE Lord hath called me by my name from the womb of my mother; and He hath made my mouth like a sharp sword: in the shadow of His hand hath He hid me, and made me a polished shaft. *Is.* xlix. 1.

PSALM. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord: and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O most Highest (xcii. 1). Glory. The Lord.

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COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, by Whose providence Thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of Thy Son our Saviour, by preaching of repentance: make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake. Through.

LESSON. *Isaiah* xl. 1.

COMFORT ye, comfort ye My people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, That her warfare is accomplished; that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain. And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth, because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; but the word of our God shall stand for ever. O Sion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain: O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid: say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God. Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and His arm shall rule for Him: behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him. He shall feed His flock like a shepherd; He shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.

GRADUAL. Before I formed thee in the belly, I knew thee, and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee. ℣. The Lord put forth His hand: and touched my mouth, and said unto me.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Among them that are born of women: there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist, alleluia. *St. Matt.* xi. 11.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* i. 57.

ELISABETH'S full time came that she should be delivered; and she brought

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forth a son. And her neighbours and her cousins heard how the Lord had shewed great mercy upon her; and they rejoiced with her. And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father. And his mother answered and said: Not so; but he shall be called John. And they said unto her: There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name. And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called. And he asked for a writing-table, and wrote, saying: His name is John. And they marvelled all. And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue loosed, and he spake, and praised God. And fear came on all that dwelt round about them; and all these sayings were noised abroad throughout all the hill-country of Judæa. And all they that had heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying: What manner of child shall this be? And the hand of the Lord was with him. And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied, saying: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for He hath visited and redeemed His people,* and hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David; as He spake by the mouth of His holy prophets, which have been since the world began; that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember His holy covenant; the oath which He sware to our father Abraham, that He would grant unto us, that we, being delivered out of the hands of our enemies, might serve Him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our life. And thou, Child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways; to give knowledge of salvation unto His people, by the remission of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God, whereby the Day-spring from on high hath visited us; to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace. And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit; and was in the deserts till the day of his shewing unto Israel. *The Creed.*†

OFFERTORY. All laid these sayings up in their hearts, saying: What manner of child shall this be? And the hand of the Lord was with him. *St. Luke* i. 65. (*P.*)

* Anciently the Gospel ended here.

† According to the present Western use the Creed is not said, because St. John preceded the coming of the Gospel.

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SECRET.

WE bring our gifts to Thine altar, O Lord, reverencing with due honour his nativity, and beseeching his help for us, who did both foretell the coming of the Saviour of the world, and also did shew that He was come, Jesus Christ Thy Son. Who liveth.

DAILY PREFACE.

COMMUNION. Thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways. *St. Luke* i. 76.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET Thy Church, O God, rejoice in the generation of blessed John Baptist: through whom was made known to her the Author of her regeneration, Jesus Christ Thy Son. Who liveth.

¶ *Through the Octave, the same Service is said, unless a Feast or a Sunday occur, but without the Creed.*

28. Vigil of SS. Peter and Paul, App.

INTROIT. *Dicit Dominus.*

THE Lord saith unto Peter: When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldest not: this spake He, signifying by what death He should glorify God. *St. John* xxi. 18.

PSALM. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth His handy-work (xix. 1). Glory. The Lord.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost suffer us to look forward to the glorious feast-day of Thy holy Apostles Peter and Paul: grant, we beseech Thee; that their ready help may ever prevent us, and their prayers continually aid us. Through.

¶ *Commemoration of the Octave of St. John Baptist.*

LESSON. *Acts* iii. 1.

IN those days Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour. And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple; who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms. And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said: Look on us. And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them. Then Peter said: Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk. And he

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took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ancle bones received strength: And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God: and they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him.

GRADUAL. They brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches: that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them, and they were healed every one. ℣. From the body of Paul were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs: and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them. *Acts* v. 15. *(P.)*

GOSPEL. *St. John* xxi. 15.

JESUS saith to Simon Peter: Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me more than these? He saith unto Him: Yea, Lord; Thou knowest that I love Thee. He saith unto him: Feed My lambs. He saith to him again the second time: Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me? He saith unto Him: Yea, Lord; Thou knowest that I love Thee. He saith unto him: Feed My sheep. He saith unto him the third time: Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me? Peter was grieved because He said unto him the third time, Lovest thou Me? And he said unto Him: Lord, Thou knowest all things; Thou knowest that I love Thee. Jesus saith unto him: Feed My sheep. Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldest not. This spake He, signifying by what death he should glorify God.

OFFERTORY. In all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments. 2 *Cor.* vi. 4. *(P.)*

SECRET.

O LORD, we bring gifts for Thy propitiation, and let, we beseech Thee, the praying of them whose feast we prevent be effectual, to the end that our fasting may be pleasing in Thy sight. Through.

COMMUNION. Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me more than these? Lord, Thou knowest all things, Thou knowest that I love Thee. *St. John* xxi.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE have received, O Lord, the divine Mysteries,

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in anticipation of the feast, which we have desired, of Thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul: grant, we beseech Thee; that we may be defended by their supplication, forasmuch as we are governed by their rule. Through.

29. SS. Peter and Paul, Apostles.

With an Octave.

INTROIT. *Tu es Petrus.*

THOU art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it: and I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven. *St. Matt.* xvi. 18.

PSALM. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth His handy-work (xix.). Glory. Thou art. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who by Thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to Thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandedst him earnestly to feed Thy flock: make, we beseech Thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently to preach Thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory. Through.

LESSON. *Acts* xii. 1.

ABOUT that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And, because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. Then were the days of unleavened bread. And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him, intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people. Peter therefore was kept in prison; but prayer was made without ceasing of the Church unto God for him. And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains; and the keepers before the door kept the prison. And behold, the Angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison; and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying: Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands. And the Angel said unto him: Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals: and so he did. And he saith unto him: Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me. And he went out and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the Angel; but thought he saw a vision. When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate

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that leadeth unto the city, which opened to them of his own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and forthwith the Angel departed from him. And when Peter was come to himself, he said: Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent His Angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

GRADUAL. Thou shalt make them princes in all lands: they shall remember Thy Name, O Lord. ℣. Instead of Thy fathers Thou shalt have children: therefore shall the people give thanks unto Thee. *Ps.* xlv.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Thou art Peter: and upon this rock I will build My Church, alleluia. *St. Matt.* xvi. 18.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xvi. 13.

WHEN Jesus came into the coasts of Cæsarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying: Whom do men say that I, the Son of Man, am? And they said: Some say that Thou art John the Baptist, some Elias, and others Jeremias, or one of the prophets. He saith unto them: But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said: Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him: Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but My Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee: That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Thou shalt make them princes in all lands: they shall remember Thy Name from one generation to another.

SECRET.

LET the prayer of Thine Apostles, O Lord, accompany the oblations which we offer to be consecrated unto Thy Name: that as Thy Church did through them receive the first knowledge of things divine; so also by them she may ever receive an increase of heavenly grace even unto the end. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Thou art Peter: and upon this rock I will build My Church.

POSTCOMMUNION.

FAVOURABLY behold, O Lord, this Thy family, and defend us by the intercessions of Thine Apostles: that we may be ever guided aright by their prayers, and rest upon them, the princes

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upon whom Thou hast founded us. Through.

30. Commemoration of St. Paul, Ap.

INTROIT. *Scio Cui credidi.*

I KNOW on Whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. 2 *Tim.* i. 12.

PSALM. O Lord, Thou hast searched me out, and known me: Thou knowest my down-sitting, and mine up-rising (cxxxix. 1). Glory. I know.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast taught a great multitude of the nations by the preaching of blessed Paul the Apostle: grant, we beseech Thee; that we may know that we have the aid of his prayers with Thee, whose birthday festival we do keep. Through.

¶ *Memorial of St. Peter.*

O GOD, Who by giving to Thy blessed Apostle Peter the keys of the kingdom of heaven, didst deliver the dispensation of binding and loosing souls: mercifully grant; that (by the aid of his intercession) we may be delivered from the chains of our sins. Through.

¶ *Memorial of the Octave of St. John Baptist.*

EPISTLE. *Galatians* i. 11.

I CERTIFY you, brethren, that the Gospel which was preached of me is not after man. For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ. For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the Church of God, and wasted it: and profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God, Who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood: neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days. But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother. Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not. Afterwards I came into the regions of Syria and Cilicia; and was unknown by face unto the churches of Judæa which were in Christ: but they had heard only, That he which persecuted

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us in times past now preacheth the faith which once he destroyed. And they glorified God in me.

GRADUAL. He that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles, and they perceived the grace that was given unto me. ℣. His grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain: but His grace ever abideth in me. *Gal.* ii. 8. 1 *Cor.* xv. 10.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I am not ashamed: for I know Whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day, alleluia. 2 *St. Tim.* i. 12.

GOSPEL, *the same as on the Conversion of St. Paul, page* 439. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The grace is given to me of God, that I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost. *Rom.* xv. 15. (*P.*)

SECRET.

WE bring before Thee, O Lord, our due oblation: beseeching Thee, that it, being consecrated, may tend to the praise of Thy Name, and to the reverence of the dignity of the Apostles, as well as our protection. Through.

¶ *Of St. Peter.*

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the intercession of blessed Peter Thine Apostle commend the prayers and offerings of Thy Church: that what we celebrate to his honour may profit us to our pardon. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. *Phil.* i. 20. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that Thy Church being refreshed with Thy saving Sacraments, and supported by the supplication of blessed Paul Thy Apostle, may so receive Thy present gifts, that it may be accounted worthy to attain those that are eternal. Through.

¶ *Of St. Peter.*

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the Gift we have offered make us glad: that as we declare Thy marvellous works in Thy Apostle Peter, so by his aid we may obtain the bounty of Thy pardon. Through.

JULY.

1. Octave of St. John Baptist.

All as on the day, page 472, *except:*

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GOSPEL. *St. Luke* i. 13.

THE Angel said unto Zacharias: Fear not Zacharias, for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John. And Zacharias said unto the Angel: Whereby shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife well stricken in years. And the Angel answering, said unto him: I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings. And, behold, thou shalt be dumb, and not able to speak, until the day that these things shall be performed, because thou believest not my words, which shall be fulfilled in their season. And the people waited for Zacharias, and marvelled that he tarried so long in the temple. And when he came out, he could not speak unto them: and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple: for he beckoned unto them, and remained speechless. And it came to pass, that, as soon as the days of his ministration were accomplished, he departed to his own house. And after those days his wife Elisabeth conceived and hid herself five months, saying: Thus hath the Lord dealt with me in the days wherein He looked on me, to take away my reproach among men.

¶ *Commemoration of the Apostles is made, and the Preface of the Apostles is said.*

2. Visitation of B. V. M.

With an Octave, according to Sarum Use.

INTROIT. *Exultavit spiritus.*

MY spirit hath rejoiced in God, my Saviour: for He hath regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden.

PSALM. My heart is inditing of a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made unto the King (xlv. 1). Glory. My spirit. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who for the sake of the consolation of them both, didst make the most holy Virgin Mary, Mother of Thine Only-begotten Son, to visit the blessed Elisabeth: mercifully grant us Thy servants; that we may ever be comforted by her visitations, and may by Thy protection be defended from all adversities. Through the same.

¶ *Or this from Paris Use.*

O MERCIFUL GOD, be present unto Thy Church, and evermore purify the children of adoption in her bosom: even as, when still shut up in the womb of Mary, Thou didst hallow John in the bosom of Elisabeth. Who livest

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LESSON. *Song of Solomon* ii.

I AM the rose of Sharon, and the lily of the valleys. As the lily among thorns, so is my love among the daughters. As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, so is my beloved among the sons. I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was sweet to my taste. He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love. My beloved spake, and said unto me: Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away. For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land; the fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape give a good smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away. O my dove, that art in the clefts of the rock, in the secret places of the stairs, let me see thy countenance, let me hear thy voice; for sweet is thy voice, and thy countenance is comely.

GRADUAL. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the Fruit of thy womb. ℣. And whence is this to me, that the Mother of my Lord should come to me?

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. And blessed is she that believed; for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord, alleluia. *St. Luke* i. 42. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* i. 39. *As on Ember Friday in Advent, page* 134. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. And it came to pass, that when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost, alleluia. *St. Luke* i. 41. (*P.*)

SECRET.

FAVOURABLY look, O Lord, we beseech Thee, on the offering of Thy Church: and, (at the intercession of the glorious Virgin Mary, Mother of God,) grant unto the same alway the gifts of unity and peace. Through.

¶ *Another.*

O LORD, we pray Thee, let this the Sacrifice of our service be acceptable to Thy Divine Majesty, even as the lowliness of the most blessed Mother of Thine Only-begotten Son was well-pleasing unto Thee. Through the same.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 70.

COMMUNION. He that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is His Name. *St. Luke* i. 49. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who by means of the Blessed Virgin Mary hast succoured a lost world,

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(for her glorious sake and prayers,) be pleased to grant, that all offence and disorder may be taken away from the ruling of the Church, so that it may ever duly serve Thee in Thy peace. Who.

¶ *Another.*

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, unto Thy faithful people, that He Whom blessed John knew with gladness, while yet He lay hid in the womb, may by His presence hidden in this Holy Sacrament, make us glad also with holy joy. Who liveth.

Days within the Octave of SS. Peter and Paul.

INTROIT, *page* 429.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast hallowed this day by the martyrdom of Thine Apostles Peter and Paul: grant unto Thy Church in all things to follow their commandments, since from them she at the first received her holy religion. Through.

EPISTLE, *page* 434.

GRADUAL. Thou shalt make them princes in all lands: they shall ever be mindful of Thy Name, O Lord. ℣. Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children: therefore shall the people give thanks unto Thee.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. How dear are Thy friends unto me, O God: O how great is the pre-eminence of them, alleluia. *Ps.* xlv.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xv. 17-25, . . . without a cause, *page* 518.

OFFERTORY. Their sound is gone out into all lands: and their words into the ends of the world.

SECRET.

LET the prayers of Thine Apostles, O Lord, accompany the oblations, which we offer to be dedicated to Thy Name: since at those prayers Thou dost give unto us both pardon and protection. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Ye that have followed Me shall sit upon twelve thrones: judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

POSTCOMMUNION.

KEEP, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by the intercessions of Thine Apostles, from all adversities those whom Thou hast filled with heavenly nourishment. Through.

4. Tr. St. Martin, Ct. Bp.

In the Common, page XIV., INT. *and* LESSON I.; GRAD. *and* Allel. IV.; OFFERT. I.; COMM. III.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst give blessed Martin unto Thy people to be a minister of everlasting salvation: grant, we beseech Thee; that

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as he fulfilled Thy commands upon earth, so he may ever be our intercessor in heaven. Through.

¶ *Commemoration of the Apostles and of the Visitation.*

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xii. 32.

JESUS said to His disciples: Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the intercession of blessed Martin Thy Confessor and Bishop commend our gifts to Thee, and make us ever acceptable unto Thy Majesty. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that the Sacrament which we have taken may bestow upon us protection and salvation: and, for the sake of blessed Martin Thy Confessor and Bishop, absolve us from all our sins. Through.

6. Octave of SS. Peter and Paul, App.

INTROIT. *Sapientiam.*

LET the people tell of the wisdom of the Saints, and the congregation shew forth their praise: their names shall live for evermore. *Ecclus.* xliv. 15.

PSALM. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful (xxxiii. 1). Glory. Let the people.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Whose right hand raised up blessed Peter, when he walked upon the waves, lest he should sink: and delivered his fellow Apostle Paul from the deep of the sea, when thrice he suffered shipwreck: favourably hear our prayers, and grant; that for the sake of them both, we may obtain eternal glory. Who livest.

¶ *Memorial of the Visitation of B. V. M.*

LESSON IV., *page* x.

GRADUAL III., *page* xi.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks burning before the Lord: these have power to shut heaven with clouds, and to open its gates; for their tongues are made the keys of heaven, alleluia. *Rev.* xi.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xiv. 22.

JESUS constrained His disciples to get into a ship, and to go before Him unto the other side, while He sent the multitudes away. And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up into

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a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, He was there alone. But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary. And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying: It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear. But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying: Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid. And Peter answered Him, and said: Lord, if it be Thou, bid me come unto Thee on the water. And He said: Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying: Lord, save me. And immediately Jesus stretched forth His hand, and caught him, and said unto him: O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt? And when they were come into the ship the wind ceased. Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped Him, saying: Of a truth Thou art the Son of God. *The Creed, if it be Sunday.*

OFFERTORY III., *page* XIII.

SECRET.

WE pray Thee, O God Most High, to look upon the vows we pay unto Thee: and grant that they may be well pleasing unto Thee for the sake of the prayers of them in whose honour they are presented. Through.

COMMUNION III., *page* XIII.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the heavenly Sacrament which we have received, O Lord, at the prayers of Thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, procure for us a heavenly remedy. Through.

7. Tr. St. Thomas, Abp. M.

All as on the day, page 151, *except:*

COLLECT:

O GOD, Who grantest us to celebrate the translation of blessed Thomas Thy Martyr and Bishop: we humbly entreat Thee; that for his sake and prayers, we may be turned from wickedness to virtue, and translated from bondage to the kingdom of heaven. Through.

SECRET.

O GOD, Who by Thy heavenly blessing dost change bread and wine into Thy Body and Blood: grant us, (for the sake of blessed Thomas Thy Martyr and Bishop) that we, turning again to Thy mercy, may be conformed to Thy good pleasure. Who livest.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who hast translated blessed Thomas

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Thy Martyr and Bishop, from suffering to joy: grant, we beseech Thee, that as we reverence his translation on earth, so by his help we may be translated to heaven. Through.

15. Tr. St. Swithun, Bp. Cf. and his Companions.

In the Common, page XXI.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast made this day honourable unto us by the translation of blessed Swithun, Thy Confessor and Bishop (and his companions): grant joy to Thy Church in this celebration; that we may be assisted in heaven by his (their) intercession, whose solemnity we reverence on earth. Through.

SECRET.

LOOK upon Thy people, O Lord, that hasten to Thy Sacrament, on this present feast of blessed Swithun Thy Confessor and Bishop (and his companions): and grant, (at their intercession) that what they offer in honour of Thy Name, may profit to the pardon of all. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE receiving the pledge of eternal life, do humbly implore Thee, O Lord (at the intercession of blessed Swithun, Thy Confessor and Bishop, and his companions) that what we have taken in the outward form of the Sacrament, we may inwardly receive with the manifest partaking. Through.

16. Tr. St. Osmund, Bp. Cf.

All as I. *in the Common, page* XIV., *except:*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Whose miracles of old we perceive to shine forth even in our times to the magnifying and praise of Thy Name, and the honour of Saint Osmund Thy Confessor and Bishop: mercifully grant, at his intercession, whose translation we keep, that we may glorify Thee in this present world, and be accounted worthy to delight in Thee in that which is to come. Through.

SECRET.

SANCTIFY our gifts, O Lord, we beseech Thee, (for the sake and intercession of Thy bountiful Confessor Osmund): that they may be changed into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, and may be profitable to the salvation of our souls. Through the same.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE who have received the holy Gifts, do humbly beseech Thee, O Lord, that being strengthened by their virtue, we may both follow the example of blessed Osmund Thy Confessor and

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Bishop, and attain unto everlasting joy. Through.

20. St. Margaret, V. M.

In the Common, page XXII., INT. III.; LESSON II.; GRAD. II.; Allel. III.; OFFERT. III.; COMM. II.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who as on this day didst make the blessed Virgin Margaret to come into heaven by the palm of martyrdom: grant us, we beseech Thee; so to follow her example, that we may be accounted worthy to come unto Thee. Through.

SECRET.

LET this Sacrifice, we beseech Thee, O Lord, which we offer on the martyrdom of the blessed Virgin Margaret, both give us holiness of mind, and obtain for us continual chastity of body. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let Thy people perceive the joy in keeping the birthday feast of blessed Margaret Thy Virgin and Martyr: and those whom Thou hast refreshed with the banquet of Thy heavenly table, do Thou also make to have fellowship with Thee in everlasting life. Through.

22. St. Mary Magdalene.

INTROIT. *Mihi adhærere.*

IT is good for me to hold me fast by God, to put my trust in the Lord God: and to speak of all Thy works in the gates of the daughter of Sion. *Ps.* lxxiii. 27.

PSALM. Truly God is loving unto Israel: even unto such as are of a clean heart (*v.* 1). Glory. It is. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

MOST merciful Father, bestow upon us Thy servants remission of all our sins: which blessed Mary Magdalene herself obtained by loving Thine Only-begotten Son above all things; and grant that she may evermore entreat Thy loving-kindness to give unto us a place in everlasting blessedness. Through the same.

LESSON. *Song of Solomon* iii. 2, viii. 6.

I WILL rise now, and go about the city in the streets, and in the broad ways I will seek Him Whom my soul loveth: I sought Him, but I found Him not. The watchmen that go about the city found me: to whom I said: Saw ye Him Whom my soul loveth? It was but a little that I passed from them, but I found Him Whom my soul loveth: I held Him, and would not let Him go, until I had brought Him into my mother's house, and into the chamber of her that conceived me. I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye stir not up, nor awake

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my Love, till He please. Set me as a seal upon Thine heart, as a seal upon Thine arm: for love is strong as death; jealousy is cruel as the grave; the coals thereof are coals of fire, which hath a most vehement flame. Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned. (*R.*)

GRADUAL. Whom have I in heaven but Thee: and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of Thee. ℣. My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever. *Ps.* lxxiii. 24.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my Beloved, that ye tell Him, that I am sick of love, alleluia. *Cant.* v. 8. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *The same as on Friday in the September Ember Season, page* 411. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Mary called Magdalene, and many others, ministered unto Jesus of their substance. *St. Luke* viii. 3. (*P.*)

SECRET.

GIVE Thy blessing, O Lord, to these sacrifices which we offer unto Thee: and grant; that blessed Mary Magdalene may obtain for us from Thee what of Thine Only-begotten Son she obtained when she offered Him her mystical service. Through the same.

COMMUNION. I found Him Whom my soul loveth: I held Him, and would not let Him go. *Cant.* iii. 4. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, let the holy following of blessed Mary Magdalene afford us wholesome doctrine: whereby we may be accounted worthy to be sharers of that good part, which shall not be taken away from her. Through.

24. Vigil of St. James, Ap.

All as in the Common, page 1.

¶ *If this Vigil fall upon Sunday, a Memorial only is made of it.*

25. St. James, Ap.

INTROIT. *Vidit Jesus.*

JESUS saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the ship mending their nets, and straightway He called them. *St. Mark* i. 19.

PSALM. O Lord, Thou hast searched me out, and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting, and mine uprising (*v.* 1). Glory. Jesus saw. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

GRANT, O merciful God, that as Thine holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay was obedient unto the calling of Thy Son

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Jesus Christ, and followed Him: so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow Thy holy commandments. Through.

LESSON. *Acts* xi. 27, *and part of Chap.* xii.

IN those days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit, that there should be great dearth throughout all the world; which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cæsar. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judæa. Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul. Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And, because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also.

GRADUAL. Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into a high mountain apart. ℣. And was transfigured before them: and His face did shine as the sun. *St. Matt.* xvii. 1.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. We beheld His glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, alleluia. *St. John* i. 14. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xx. 20.

THEN came to Him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping Him, and desiring a certain thing of Him. And He saith unto her: What wilt thou? She saith unto Him: Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on Thy right hand, and the other on the left, in Thy kingdom. But Jesus answered and said: Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto Him: We are able. And He saith unto them: Ye shall drink indeed of My cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on My right hand, and on My left, is not Mine to give; but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of My Father. And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren. But Jesus called them unto Him, and said: Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; and whosoever will be chief among you, let him

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be your servant: even as the Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized. *St. Mark* x. 39.

SECRET.

LET the passion, O Lord, of Thy blessed Apostle James make the offerings of Thy people favourable to Thee: that those things which of our own merit are not fitting, may become pleasing in Thy sight at his entreaty. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Herod killed James the brother of John with the sword. *Acts* xii. 2. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

HELP us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, at the intercession of blessed James Thine Apostle, on whose feast to-day Thou hast refreshed us with Thy Body and Blood, because on his solemnity we have received Thy Holy Mysteries in joy, O Saviour of the world. Who livest.

26. St. Anne. Mother of the B. V. M.

INTROIT. *Semel juravi.*

I HAVE sworn once by My holiness, that I will not fail David: his seed shall endure for ever. *Ps.* lxxxix. 34.

PSALM. My song shall be alway: of the loving-kindness of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. I have sworn. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst on this day raise blessed Anne the glorious mother of Thy dearly-beloved parent to the joys of heavenly life: make us, we beseech Thee, to attain to everlasting bliss, for her glory's sake, of whose saving offspring Thou didst vouchsafe to take human flesh for the salvation of the world. Who livest.

LESSON. *Genesis* xxv. 2.

AND the Lord appeared unto Isaac, and said: Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of: sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father; and I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because that Abraham obeyed My voice, and kept My charge, My commandments, My statutes, and My laws. (*P.*)

GRADUAL. My mercy will I keep for David for ever-

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more : and My covenant shall stand fast with him. ℣. My covenant will I not break : nor alter the thing that is gone out of My lips. *Ps.* lxxxix. 29.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord hath remembered His mercy and truth : toward the house of Israel, alleluia. *Ps.* xcviii. 4. (*P.*)

GOSPEL, *St. Matt.* i. *page* 432.

OFFERTORY. The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree, and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus : such as are planted in the house of the Lord, shall flourish in the courts of the house of our God. *Ps.* xcii. 11. (*P.*)

SECRET.

SANCTIFY, O Redeemer of the world, the gifts of this sacrifice here present, and make the same to be salvation unto us (at the prayers of the blessed mother Anne), of whose womb, as from a palace, Thy Mother, the shrine of virgin purity, did come forth. Who livest.

COMMUNION. I will pour My spirit upon thy seed : and My blessing upon thine offspring. *Is.* xliv. 3. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

PROTECT us, O Lord, who have received the votive Mysteries of the heavenly table, (at the glorious intercession of blessed Anne the mother of Mary) : of whom came forth the Virgin born for the salvation of mankind, who without loss of chastity did bear for us the splendour and light of life, even Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. Who liveth.

AUGUST.

1. St. Peter's Chains,

commonly called

Lammas Day.

INTROIT. *Nunc scio.*

NOW I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent His Angel : and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews. *Acts* xii. 11.

PSALM. O Lord, Thou hast searched me out, and known me : Thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-rising (cxxxix. 1). Glory. Now I know.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst set free blessed Peter the Apostle from his chains, and let him go unhurt : loose us, we beseech Thee, from the chains of our sins ; and mercifully shut out all evil from us. Through.

LESSON. *Acts* xii. 12.

WHEN Peter was come out of the prison, he came to the house of Mary the mother of John, whose surname was Mark ; where many were gathered together praying. And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a damsel came to hearken, named Rhoda. And when

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Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many. The Gospel.

OFFERTORY. Ye shall neither think of the one that I think of, and with the baptism that I am baptized with shall ye be baptized. St. Matt. xx. 23.

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PSALM. O Lord, Thou hast searched me out, and known me : Thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-rising (cxxxix. 1). Glory. Now I know.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst set free blessed Peter the Apostle from his chains, and let him go unhurt : loose us, we beseech Thee, from the chains of our sins ; and mercifully shut out all evil from us. Through.

LESSON. *Acts* xii. 12.

WHEN Peter was come out of the prison, he came to the house of Mary the mother of John, whose surname was Mark ; where many were gathered together praying. And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a damsel came to hearken, named Rhoda. And when

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she knew Peter's voice, she opened not the gate for gladness, but ran in, and told how Peter stood before the gate. And they said unto her: Thou art mad. But she constantly affirmed that it was even so. Then said they: It is his angel. But Peter continued knocking: and when they had opened the door, and saw him, they were astonished. But he, beckoning unto them with the hand to hold their peace, declared unto them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison.

GRADUAL. The Lord defended him from his enemies: but delivered him from sinners. ℣. He went down with him into the pit: and left him not in bonds.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord shall send from heaven: and save me, alleluia. *Ps.* lvii. 3. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xvi. 13, *as on the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul, page* 478. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O Lord, Thou hast broken my bonds in sunder: I will offer to Thee the Sacrifice of thanksgiving. *Ps.* cxvi. 14. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O LORD, we offer Thee the gift of reconciliation, beseeching Thee, that as Thou didst give constancy in bonds to Thy blessed Apostle Peter, so may Thy grace effectually work Thy pardon in us. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. The Angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them: O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is, blessed is the man that trusteth in Him. *Ps.* xxxiv. 7. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the partaking of the divine gift, we beseech Thee, O Lord, (at the intercession of blessed Peter the Apostle) ever remove from us the chains of our sins, and drive away all dangers from us. Through.

4. St. Dominic, Cf. Ab.

In the Common, page XIX.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast been pleased to enlighten Thy Church with the good deeds and teaching of blessed Dominic: grant (at his intercession); that Thy Church may never be left in want of temporal aid, and may always grow with spiritual increase. Through.

5. St. Oswald, K.M.

In the Common, page II, INT. III.; LESSON I.; GRAD. I.; Allel. III.; GOSP. IV.; OFFERT. I.; COMM. III.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast con-

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secrated the joyful and holy gladness of this day by the passion of Thy holy servant Oswald: grant unto our hearts the increase of love and charity; that while we celebrate the shedding of his hallowed blood on earth, we may experience the effect of his prayers in heaven. Through.

SECRET.

FAVOURABLY receive, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the gifts which we offer Thy Majesty on the commemoration of Saint Oswald Thy King and Martyr: and of Thy goodness inspire us with that mighty love which burned in him. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, having been refreshed with Thy life-giving food: that (at the prayers of blessed Oswald Thy Martyr) we may perceive Thy justice satisfied in us, while with earnest devotion we celebrate his glorious triumph. Through.

6. Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

INTROIT. *Veni.*

COME and shew us the light of Thy countenance, O Lord, Thou that sittest upon the Cherubim: and we shall be whole. *Ps.* lxxx. 3.

PSALM. Hear, O Thou Shepherd of Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep (*v.* 1). Glory. Come.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who on this day didst reveal from heaven Thine Only-begotten Son transfigured in a wonderful manner, to the fathers of both testaments: grant us, we beseech Thee, our deeds being well pleasing in Thy sight, to attain to the contemplation of His glory for ever; in Whom Thou hast testified that Thou, the Father, wast well pleased. Through the same.

EPISTLE. 2 *St. Peter* i. 16.

WE have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eye-witnesses of His majesty. For He received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to Him from the excellent glory, This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well-pleased. And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with Him in the holy mount. We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day-star arise in your hearts.

GRADUAL. In the day of Thy power shall the people offer Thee free-will offerings with an holy worship: the dew of Thy birth is of the womb of the morning. ℣.

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The Lord said unto my Lord: Sit Thou on My right hand, until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. A hallowed day hath enlightened us; come, ye Gentiles, and worship the Lord: for this day a great light hath come down upon the earth, alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xvii. 1, *as on Ember Saturday in Lent, page* 203. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased; hear ye Him. *St. Matt.* xvii. 5. (*P.*)

SECRET.

RECEIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, the gifts which we bring before Thee on the glorious Transfiguration of Thy Son: and mercifully grant; that by them we may be delivered from all temporal things which do hinder us, and be knit together in eternal joys. Through the same.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God; for one day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. *Ps.* lxxxiv. 2. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who hast consecrated this day by the Transfiguration of Thy Incarnate Son, and by the voice of Thee, the Father, sent down to Him: grant, we beseech Thee; that we who have been fed by heavenly nourishment, may be accounted worthy to be made members of Him, Who did command that this should be done in remembrance of Him, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth.

7. The Holy Name of Jesus.

INTROIT. *In Nomine.*

AT the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth: and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. *Phil.* ii. 10.

PSALM. O Lord our Governour: how excellent is Thy Name in all the world (viii. 9). Glory. At the Name.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast made the most glorious Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Thine Only-begotten Son, to be loved by Thy faithful with the greatest affection and sweetness: and likewise to be full of fear and dread to the evil spirits: mercifully grant; that all those who do devoutly worship this Name of Jesus upon earth, may receive the sweetness of holy comfort in this life, and in

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the world to come may obtain the fulness of joy and everlasting gladness. Through the same.

LESSON. *Acts* iv. 8.

PETER, filled with the Holy Ghost, said: Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel, if we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole; be it made known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, Whom ye crucified, Whom God raised from the dead, even by Him doth this man stand here before you whole. This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other Name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

GRADUAL. God the Father set Jesus Christ at His own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion: and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come, and hath put all things under His feet. *Eph.* i. 20. ℣. Help us, O God of our salvation: and for the glory of Thy Name, O Lord, deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins, for Thy Name's sake. *Ps.* lxxix. 9. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Sweet to the heart is the Name of Jesus Christ: music to the ear, honey to the taste, which turns the heart to joy and praise, and puts to flight the despite of the world, alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* i. 20.

BEHOLD, the Angel of the Lord appeared unto Joseph in a dream, saying: Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife; for That Which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost: and she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His Name JESUS; for He shall save His people from their sins. Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying: Behold, a Virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a Son, and they shall call His Name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. In My Name shall they cast out devils, they shall speak with new tongues: they shall take up serpents: and if they drink any deadly things, it shall not hurt them: they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover, alleluia.

SECRET.

O GOD, the Father of mercies, we offer Thee our Sacrifice with devotion of mind, in worship of the

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dearly-beloved Name of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ: humbly beseeching Thee; that in virtue thereof aid may be granted to all that need, so that delighting in that same Name, they may obtain the saving effect of their good purpose. Through the same.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it, alleluia. *Rev.* ii. 17.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE, O Lord, calling to mind with inward devotion the most holy Mysteries which we have taken, in honour of the most well-pleasing Name of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ: do beseech Thee, that they may add to the increase of our spiritual gladness, and may both so kindle our affections, to the end that this saving Name of Jesus may continually be engraved thereon, and also provoke us to joy with all our hearts and minds in Jesus our sweetest Saviour. Who liveth.

10. St. Lawrence, M.

INTROIT. *Confessio.*

GLORY and worship are before Him: power and honour are in His Sanctuary. *Ps.* xcvi. 6.

PSALM. O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth (*v.* 1). Glory. Glory and worship.

COLLECT.

GRANT us, we beseech Thee, almighty God, the grace to quench the flames of our sins: as Thou didst endue the blessed Lawrence with power to overcome the fires of his torments. Through.

EPISTLE. 2 *Corinthians* ix. 6.

BRETHREN, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: as it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever. Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness.

GRADUAL. Thou hast proved and visited mine heart in the night-season. ℣. Thou hast tried me: and shalt find no wickedness in me. *Ps.* xvii. 3.

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Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Levite Lawrence wrought a good work: who by the sign of the Cross gave sight to the blind, alleluia.

GOSPEL I. *in Common of M., page* IV.

OFFERTORY. That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ. 1 *St. Peter* i. 7. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O LORD, that we may be made meet for Thy Mysteries, we beseech Thee, let that same truth ever enlighten and cherish us, which kindled in the heart of Thy blessed Martyr Lawrence the flame of Thy praise, even Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. Who liveth.

COMMUNION. I shall be glorious in the eyes of the Lord, and my God shall be my strength. *Is.* xlix. 5. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

BEING filled with the holy Gift, we humbly entreat Thee, O Lord: that what we celebrate with our bounden duty and service (blessed Lawrence, Thy Martyr, interceding), we may perceive in the increase of Thy salvation. Through.

14. Vigil of Assumption
OR
Repose of B. V. M.

INTROIT. *Sitivit in Te:*

MY soul thirsteth for Thee, O Lord, my flesh also longeth after Thee: in a barren and dry land where no water is. *Ps.* lxiii. 2.

PSALM. O God, Thou art my God: early will I seek Thee (*v.* 1). Glory. My soul. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst vouchsafe to choose the virgin womb of Blessed Mary as a shrine wherein Thou mightest dwell: grant, we beseech Thee; that we being defended by her intercessions, may joyfully take part in her coming festival. Who livest.

LESSON. *Song of Solomon* ii. 1.

AS the lily among thorns, so is my love among the daughters. As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, so is my beloved among the sons. I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was sweet to my taste. He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love. Stay me with flagons, comfort me with apples: for I am sick of love. His left hand is under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me. I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye stir not up,

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nor awake my love, till he please. (*P.*)

GRADUAL. O that I had wings like a dove: for then would I flee away, and be at rest. ℣. I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the House of God: in the voice of praise and thanksgiving. *Ps.* xlii. 4.

¶ *On Sunday is added:*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. In Thy presence is the fulness of joy: and at Thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore, alleluia. *Ps.* xvi. 12. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xi. 27.

IT came to pass, as Jesus spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto Him: Blessed is the womb that bare Thee, and the paps which Thou hast sucked. But He said: Yea, rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

OFFERTORY. Arise, O Lord, into Thy resting-place, Thou, and the Ark of Thy strength: and let Thy Saints sing with joyfulness. *Ps.* cxxxii. 8. (*P.*)

SECRET.

LET the prayer of the Mother of God commend our Oblation unto Thy mercy, we beseech Thee, O Lord: for although Thou hast caused her to pass away from this world, yet she maketh supplication with confidence for us before Thee. Through the same.

COMMUNION. The Spirit and the Bride say, Come; Surely I come quickly: Amen, even so, come, Lord Jesus. *Rev.* xxii. 17. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT us, O Lord, by these heavenly Gifts, which Thou hast been pleased to bestow upon us, ever with all our heart to cleave unto heavenly things: that with Mary, the blessed Mother of God, we may at last receive the things we have hoped for. Through the same.

15. Assumption of the B. V. M.

With an Octave:

INTROIT. *Astitit Regina.*

UPON Thy right hand, O God, did stand the Queen, in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours: the virgins shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto Thee, with joy and gladness. *Ps.* xlv. 10.

PSALM. My heart is inditing of a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made unto the King (*v.* 1). Glory. Upon Thy right hand. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

LET this solemn feast, O Lord, bring us everlasting aid: for on this day the holy Mother of God endured temporal death, and yet,

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nevertheless, death could not hold her in bonds, who bare in the flesh Thy Son our Lord. Who liveth.

LESSON. *Revelation* xi. 19.

THE temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in His temple the ark of His testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail. And there appeared a great wonder in heaven: a Woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars. (*P.*)

GRADUAL. My Beloved spake, and said unto me: Rise up, My love, My fair one, and come away. ℣. Come with Me from Lebanon, My spouse: come, look from the top of Amana. *Song of Songs* ii. 10, iv. 8.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The king set the royal crown: upon her head, alleluia. *Esther* ii. 17. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* i. 46.

AND Mary said: My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For He hath regarded the low estate of His handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For He that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is His Name. And is mercy is on them that fear Him from generation to generation. He hath shewed strength with His arm: He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich He hath sent empty away. He hath holpen His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy. As He spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to His seed for ever. (*Rouen Use.*) *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. All generations shall call me blessed: for He that is mighty hath magnified me, and Holy is His Name. *St. Luke* i. 48.

SECRET.

LET the prayers of Thy holy Mother, O Lord, ever make our gifts acceptable to Thee: and although according to the flesh we know that she hath gone from hence, yet grant that we may ever perceive that she maketh intercession with Thee for us in heavenly glory. Who livest.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 70.

COMMUNION. O daughter, blessed art thou of the Most High God above all the women upon the earth: for this thy confidence shall not depart from the heart of men, and God turn these things to thee for a perpetual praise. *Judith* xiii. 18. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who dost exalt the humble and meek,

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and Who as on this day didst raise the Blessed Virgin Mary above the Angels: grant, that we who have been fed with heavenly Bread on this solemn feast-day, may after her example humble ourselves in all things, and so be counted worthy to be by Thee exalted. Through. (*P.*)

20. St. Bernard, Ct. Ab. D.

In the Common, page XVIII.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst make blessed Bernard, the Abbat, enkindled with the fire of Thy love, to be a burning and shining light in Thy Church: grant, (at his intercession;) that we being inspired by the same Spirit of love, may ever walk as children of light. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

Commem. of Oct. of Assumption. The Creed.

LESSON, *page* XIX.

23. Vigil of St. Bartholomew, Ap.

As in the Common, page I.

24. St. Bartholomew, Ap.

INTROIT, *as on St. Andrew's day, page* 429.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who didst give to Thine Apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach Thy Word: grant, we beseech Thee, unto Thy Church; to love that Word which he believed, and both to preach and receive the same. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Who liveth.

LESSON. *Acts* v. 12.

BY the hands of the Apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people: and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch: and of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them: and believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women: insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them. There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits; and they were healed every one.

GRADUAL. Their sound is gone out into all lands: and their words unto the ends of the world. ℣. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth His handy-work.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. How dear are Thy friends unto me, O God: how great is the preeminence of them, alleluia.

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GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xxii. 24.

AND there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. And He said unto them: The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with Me in My temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as My Father hath appointed unto Me; that ye may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. God hath set forth us the Apostles last, as it were appointed to death: for we are made a spectacle unto the world, and to Angels, and to men. 1 *Cor.* iv. 9. (*P.*)

SECRET.

WE beseech Thy mercy, O Lord, while we celebrate the solemnity of Thine Apostle Bartholomew, that we may be aided, to attain unto Thy benefits, by the prayers of him in whose memory we do offer unto Thee the Sacrifice of Praise. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Ye, that have followed Me, shall sit upon thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. *St. Matt.* xix. 28.

POSTCOMMUNION.

HAVING received Thy saving Sacraments on the solemnity of Thy blessed Apostle Bartholomew, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord: that what he preached, we may alike believe and follow the same. Through.

28. St. Augustine of Hippo, Bp. Cf. D.

In the Common, page XIV, INT. I.; LESSON I., *page* XVIII; GRAD. *and* Allel. I., *page* XV. GOSP. *page* XVIII. *The Creed.* OFFERT. *and* COMM. I., *page* XVII.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst raise up blessed Augustine to be a Doctor in Thy Church to unfold the mysteries of holy Scripture: grant us, we beseech Thee; that we may ever be both instructed by his teaching, and supported by his prayers. Through.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let not the devout prayers of Thy holy Confessor and Bishop Augustine fail us: so that they may make our gifts acceptable to Thee, and ever obtain Thy pardon for us. Through.

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POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that Thou wouldest grant to us, receiving Thy saving Sacraments, to follow after his teaching whose glorious feast we celebrate. Through.

29. The Beheading of St. John the Baptist.

INTROIT. *Loquebar.*

I WILL speak of Thy testimonies even before kings, and will not be ashamed: and my delight shall be in Thy commandments, which I have loved. *Ps.* cxix. 46, 47.

PSALM. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord: and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O Most Highest (xcii. 1). Glory. I will speak. (*R*).

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst choose blessed John Baptist to be the forerunner both of the birth and also of the death of Thy Son: grant that as he died a Martyr for truth and righteousness; so we may contend for truth and righteousness even unto death. Through the same.

LESSON. *Jeremiah* i. 17.

THE word of the Lord came unto me, saying: Gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them. For, behold, I have made thee this day a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brasen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the priests thereof, and against the people of the land. And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I am with thee, saith the Lord, to deliver thee. (*R.*)

GRADUAL. John bare witness unto the truth: he was a burning and a shining light. ℣. Whilst he lived, he was not moved with the presence of any prince: neither could any bring him into subjection. *St. John* v. 33; *Ecclus.* xlviii. 12.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I have not hid Thy righteousness within my heart: my talk hath been of Thy truth, and of Thy salvation, alleluia. *Ps.* xl. 12. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* vi. 7.

HEROD sent forth, and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife: for he had married her. For John had said unto Herod: It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife. Therefore Herodias had a quarrel against him; and would have killed him, but she could not: for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.

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And when a convenient day was come, that Herod on his birthday made a supper to his lords, high captains, and chief estates of Galilee; and when the daughter of the said Herodias came in, and danced, and pleased Herod and them that sat with him, the king said unto the damsel: Ask of me whatsoever thou wilt, and I will give it thee. And he sware unto her: Whatsoever thou shalt ask of me, I will give it thee, unto the half of my kingdom. And she went forth, and said unto her mother: What shall I ask? And she said: The head of John the Baptist. And she came in straightway with haste unto the king, and asked, saying: I will that thou give me by and bye in a charger the head of John the Baptist. And the king was exceeding sorry; yet for his oath's sake, and for their sakes which sat with him, he would not reject her. And immediately the king sent an executioner, and commanded his head to be brought: and he went and beheaded him in the prison, and brought his head on a charger, and gave it to the damsel: and the damsel gave it to her mother. And when his disciples heard of it, they came and took up his corpse, and laid it in a tomb.

OFFERTORY. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. *St. John* i. 6, 7. (*P.*)

SECRET.

WE bring before Thee, O Lord, our gifts on the passion of Thy Martyr John Baptist, who although his course on earth is ended, yet hath he obtained a seat for ever in the heavens: we beseech Thee, that (at his prayers) they may be profitable to our salvation. Through.

COMMUNION. Elias is come already, and they knew him not, but have done unto him whatsoever they listed. *St. Matt.* xvii. 12. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the solemnity of Saint John Baptist bestow upon us a twofold benefit: that we may both worship the mighty Sacraments which we have received, as our prayers do testify; and also may the more rejoice that they are set forth in our lives. Through.

SEPTEMBER.

1. St. Giles, Ct. Ab.

In the Common, page XIX.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who on this day didst cause blessed Giles, Thy Confessor and Abbat, to enter the courts of the kingdom of heaven: grant, we beseech Thee; that we may sensibly be aided by his prayers in whose good deeds we devoutly rejoice. Through.

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SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, mercifully pour upon our gifts Thy gracious favour, (at the intercession of Saint Giles Thy Confessor and Abbat): that thou wouldest protect these remedies which Thou hast bestowed upon us, and graciously give of Thy bounty those that Thou wilt further bestow. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

PROTECT Thy people, O Lord, that put their trust in Thy mercy: and, (at the intercession of blessed Giles Thy Confessor and Abbat) do Thou make those, whom Thou hast refreshed with heavenly Mysteries, more ready in following after Thy gifts. Through.

7. St. Evurtius, Bp. Cf.

In the Common, page XIV. INT. I.; LESSON I.; GRAD. I.; Allel. III.; GOSP. I.; OFFERT. I.; COMM. III.

COLLECT.

KEEP, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy Church with Thy perpetual mercy, (at the intercession of the blessed Bishop Evurtius), that while it is tossed on the waves of this troublesome world; it may rejoice in this time present, and at last obtain the joys of everlasting blessedness. Through.

8. Nativity of B. V. M.

INTROIT. *Disposui.*

I HAVE made a covenant with My chosen, I have sworn unto David My servant: thy seed will I stablish for ever, and set up thy throne from one generation to another. *Ps.* lxxxix. 3.

PSALM. My song shall be alway: of the loving-kindness of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. I have made. (*P.*)

¶ *The* COLLECT, SECRET, *and* POSTCOMMUNION *are the same as on the Conception* 'B. V. M., *page* 431, *except that the word* Nativity *is read instead of* Conception.

LESSON. *Isaiah* xi. 1, *as on Ember Friday in Advent, page* 133.

GRADUAL. I will bless her, and give a Son also of her: yea, I will bless her. *Gen.* xvii. 16. ℣. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and He shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever. *St. Luke* i. 32.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Praise God, for He hath not taken away His mercy: from the house of Israel, alleluia. *Judith* xiii. 14.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* i. 1, *as on the Feast of the Conception of the B. V. M., page* 432. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. I will bless thee, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto

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Abraham thy father: and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed. *Gen.* xxvi. 3. (*P.*)

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 70.

COMMUNION. The Lord shall shew loving-kindness: and our land shall give her increase. *Ps.* lxxxv. 12. (*P.*)

14. Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

INTROIT. *Christus delens.*

BLOTTING out the hand-writing of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, Christ took it out of the way, nailing it to His Cross: and having spoiled principalities and powers, He made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it. *Col.* ii. 14.

PSALM. The Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof: yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof (xcvii. 1). Glory. Blotting out. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst vouchsafe to redeem mankind with the precious Blood of Thine Only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: mercifully grant; that those who draw nigh to worship the life-giving Cross, may be delivered from the bonds of their sins. Through the same.

Or this:

O GOD, Who this day makest Thy people glad by the yearly solemnity of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross: grant, we beseech Thee; that as we have known the sacred Mystery of our redemption here on earth, so we may obtain the rewards thereof in heaven. Through. (*P.*)

LESSON. *Numbers* xxi. 5.

IN those days the people spake against God, and against Moses: Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this light bread. And the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died. Therefore the people came to Moses, and said: We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord, and against thee; pray unto the Lord, that He take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said unto Moses: Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live. And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived. (*P.*)

GRADUAL. As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness: even so must the Son of man be lifted up. ℣. That

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whosoever believeth in Him: should not perish, but have eternal life. *St. John* iii. 14.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Blessed is the wood: whereby righteousness cometh, alleluia. *Wisd.* xiv. 7. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. John* xii. 30.

JESUS answered and said: Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto Me. This He said, signifying what death He should die. The people answered Him: We have heard out of the law that Christ abideth for ever: and how sayest Thou, the Son of man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of man? Then Jesus said unto them: Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth. While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. God hath made Him to be sin for us, Who knew no sin: that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him. 2 *Cor.* v. 21. (*P.*)

SECRET.

LET the help of Thy mercy, O Lord, prevent our devout and humble prayers and sacrifices on this feast: and let faith in the Tree open again the way of salvation, which Eve, by the presumptuous foretaking, that profaned the tree in paradise, had shut. Through.

Or this:

GRACIOUSLY behold, O Lord, the Sacrifice we offer unto Thee in memory of Thy Son's Passion: and by the power of His Cross, keep us safely under Thy protection, that so we may be able to tread under foot all the snares of our enemies. Through the same. (*P.*)

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 68.

COMMUNION. He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things. *Rom.* viii. 32. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God, who have been satisfied with the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, by Whom the banner of the Cross has been sanctified: that as we have been made meet to worship it, so we may for ever have a portion in its saving power and glory. Through the same.

Or this:

LET Thine Only-begotten Son, O Lord, lifted up from the earth draw us and all our desires unto Himself: and by the unspeakable Sacrifice of the Cross, and of the Altar, may He teach us

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to humble ourselves with Him, so that we may be exalted in the same Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Who liveth. (*P.*)

17. St. Lambert. Bp. M.

In the Common, INT. II., GRAD. IV., Allel. IV., *of Cf.*, *page* XIV., EP. I., GOSP. II. *and* COMM., *of M. Bp.*, *page* VI., OFFERT. II., *page* V.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the prayer of Saint Lambert Thy Martyr and Bishop commend us unto Thee: and as his glorious passion doth magnify this day; so let us ever be defended by his help. Through.

SECRET.

WE offer Thee, O Lord, the sacrifice commemorating Saint Lambert Thy Martyr and Bishop: entreating Thee, that (at his intercession) Thy benefits may be multiplied upon us, for no temptation ever separated him from the unity of Thy body. Who liveth.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, who have received the Sacrament of Thy Body and Blood, (blessed Lambert Thy Martyr and Bishop supplicating Thee,) so to be defended, that we may be relieved by those temporal things which do profit us, and abound in those that are eternal. Who liveth.

20. Vigil of St. Matthew, Ap. Ev.

As in the Common, *page* I. LESSON II.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* v. 27.

AFTER these things, Jesus saw a publican named Levi sitting at the receipt of custom, and He said unto him: Follow Me. And he left all, rose up, and followed Him. And Levi made Him a great feast in his own house: and there was a great company of publicans and of others that sat down with Him. But the scribes and Pharisees murmured against His disciples, saying: Why do ye eat and drink with publicans and sinners? And Jesus answering said unto them: They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

¶ *If this Vigil falls upon one of the Ember days, then a memorial only is made of it at Mass.*

21. St. Matthew, Ap. Ev.

INTROIT *same as on St. Andrew's day*, *page* 429.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who by Thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an Apostle and Evangelist: grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires, and inor-

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dinate love of riches, and to follow the same Thy Son Jesus Christ. Who liveth.

EPISTLE. 2 *Corinthians* iv. 1.

THEREFORE seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not; but have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the Word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. But if our Gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: in whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious Gospel of Christ, Who is the Image of God, should shine unto them. For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, Who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God, in the face of Jesus Christ.

GRADUAL. The mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom: and his tongue will be talking of judgement. ℣. The law of God is in his heart: and his goings shall not slide.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The first shall say to Sion, Behold, behold them: and I will give to Jerusalem one that bringeth good tidings, alleluia. *Isa.* xli. 27.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* ix. 9.

AND as Jesus passed forth from thence, He saw a man named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and He saith unto him: Follow Me. And he arose, and followed Him. And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many Publicans and sinners came, and sat down with Him and His disciples. And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto His disciples: Why eateth your Master with Publicans and sinners? But when Jesus heard that, He said unto them: They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice; for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. But when it pleased God to reveal His Son in me, immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood. *Gal.* i. 15.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the oblation of Thy Church be commended unto Thee, at the supplications of blessed Matthew, Thine Apostle and Evangelist: by whose mighty preaching she is taught. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

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COMMUNION. Levi left all, rose up, and followed Jesus, and made Him a great feast in his own house. *St. Luke* v. 28.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE have received, O Lord, the worshipful Sacrament, joying in the feast of blessed Matthew Thine Apostle and Evangelist: and we beseech Thee, that he may ask and obtain by his prayers, that we may alway believe and follow what the blessed Evangelist both preached and taught. Through.

23. St. Thecla, V. not M.

In the Common, INT. II., *page* XXII; EP., *page* XXV; GRAD., Allel. I., *page* XXIII; GOSP., *page* XXV; OFFERT. I., *page* XXIV; COMM. IV., *page* XXV.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that as the glorious Virgin Thecla was the first of womankind to follow the Lord in His Passion; so she may ever prove a ready helper of our weakness. Through the same.

¶ *The* SECRET *and* POSTCOMMUNION *from Common, page* XXVI.

26. St. Cyprian, Abp. M.

In the Common of MM., INT. IV., *page* IX; LESSON IV.; GRAD. IV.; Allel. III.; GOSP. II.; OFFERT. III.; COMM. I.

COLLECT.

LET the continual protection of Thy blessed Martyr Cyprian, O Lord, cherish us evermore: for Thou wilt not fail favourably to regard those, whom Thou hast granted to be holpen by such aid. Through.

SECRET.

LET the confession, O Lord, of Thy holy Martyr Cyprian be acceptable, and commend our gifts to Thee, and ever implore Thy pardon for us. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, (at the intercession of Thy holy Martyr Cyprian) that the Sacrament we have received may profit us with an increase of Thy favour and mercy. Through.

29. St. Michael and All Angels.

INTROIT. *Benedicite.*

O PRAISE the Lord, ye Angels of His: ye that excel in strength, ye that fulfil His commandments, and hearken unto the voice of His words. *Ps.* ciii. 20.

PSALM. Praise the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me praise His holy Name (*v.* 1). Glory. O praise.

COLLECT.

O EVERLASTING God, Who hast ordained and constituted the services of

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Angels and men in a wonderful order: mercifully grant; that as Thy holy Angels alway do Thee service in heaven, so by Thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth. Through.

LESSON. *Revelation* xii. 7.

THERE was war in heaven: Michael and his Angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon fought and his angels; and prevailed not, neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the devil and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world; he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven: Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth, and of the sea: for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

GRADUAL. Behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne; and all the Angels stood round about the throne: and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God. ℣. Thousand thousands ministered unto Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him. *Rev.* iv. 2, vii. 11; *Dan.* vii. 10.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Even before the Angels will I sing praise unto Thee: I will worship toward Thy holy temple, and praise Thy Name, alleluia. *Ps.* cxxxviii. 1, 2. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xviii. 1.

AT the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying: Who is the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven? And Jesus called a little child unto Him, and set him in the midst of them, and said: Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the Kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall receive one such little child in My Name, receiveth Me. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in Me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea. Woe unto the world because of offences: for it must needs be that offences come: but woe to

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that man by whom the offence cometh. Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell-fire. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their Angels do always behold the face of My Father Which is in heaven. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. An Angel came and stood at the Altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense; and the smoke of the incense ascended up before God, alleluia. *Rev.* viii. 3.

SECRET.

GRANT, O Lord, that with Thy holy Angels we may stand in fear and love before Thine Altar: that they may bear our Oblations to the throne of Thy Majesty, as the most sweet savour of incense; and may bring back unto us the plentiful benediction of Thy grace. Through. (*P.*)

COMMUNION. I beheld, and, lo, there stood a Lamb as It had been slain, and I heard the voice of many Angels saying: Worthy is the Lamb, That was slain, to receive power and glory, alleluia. *Rev.* v. 6. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who dost give us the Bread of Angels to eat even in this world: mercifully grant, that we may be counted worthy to be partakers of their purity here on earth, and of their happiness in heaven. Through the same. (*P.*)

30. St. Jerome, Pr. Cf. D.

In the Common of Cf. D., page XVIII, LESSON I.; *except* Allel. V.; OFFERT. II.; COMM. II. *of Cf. The Creed.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast vouchsafed to reveal unto us the truths of Holy Scripture and the mysteries of Thy Sacraments by blessed Jerome Thy Priest and Confessor: grant, we beseech Thee, that as we observe his birthday, we may alway be instructed by his teaching, and aided for his merits' sake. Through.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thy mercy vouchsafe to look upon our gifts, and (at the prayer of blessed Jerome Thy Priest and Confessor) do Thou be pleased to purify us by the same. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that blessed

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Jerome Thy Priest may instruct Thy Church in the doctrines of the faith, and being so instructed, may she (at his devout intercession) be rendered worthy of the Divine Mysteries. Through.

OCTOBER.

1. St. Remigius, Bp. Cf.

SS. Germanus, Vedastus, and Bavo, Bishops and Confessors, are commemorated according to Sarum, with St. Remigius.

As in the Common, page XXI.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, hear the supplications of Thy people together with the intercession of Thy holy Confessors and Bishops Remigius, Germanus, Vedastus, and Bavo: that Thou wouldest grant us to rejoice in peace in this life, and to find an everlasting succour. Through.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, look upon our prayers, and the offerings of Thy faithful: that they may be pleasing to Thee on this feast of Thy Saints, and so obtain for us Thy help and favour. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE who have been filled with the Sacrament for the restoration of mankind, do beseech Thee, O Lord our God, on this feast of Thy holy Confessors Remigius, Germanus, Vedastus, and Bavo: that as Thou hast vouchsafed to give us heavenly gifts, so thereby Thou wouldest grant us to cleave unto those things that are heavenly. Through.

2. The Holy Guardian Angels.

INTROIT. *Benedicite.*

O PRAISE the Lord, ye Angels of His: ye that excel in strength, ye that fulfil His commandments, and hearken unto the voice of His words. *Ps.* ciii. 20.

PSALM. Praise the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me praise His holy Name. (*v.* 1). Glory. O praise.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who of Thine unspeakable Providence dost vouchsafe to send Thy holy Angels to guard us: of Thy bounty grant us Thy humble servants, that we may ever be defended by their protection, and rejoice in their eternal fellowship. Through.

LESSON. *Exodus* xxiii. 20.

THE Lord spake unto Moses, saying: Behold, I send an Angel before thee to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared. Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your transgressions: for My Name

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is in him. But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak: then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries. For Mine Angel shall go before thee.

GRADUAL. The Lord shall give His Angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. ℣. They shall bear thee in their hands: that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone. *Ps.* xci. 11.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. O praise the Lord, all ye His hosts: ye servants of His, that do His pleasure, alleluia. *Ps.* ciii. 21.

GOSPEL, *as on the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, page* 510. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O praise the Lord, ye Angels of His: ye that fulfil His commandment, and hearken unto the voice of His words. *Ps.* ciii. 20.

SECRET.

LET Thine Angels, O Lord, bring our oblations before Thee: and, that our prayers may be heard by Thee, when they offer them in Thy presence; grant us, that we may beware of them, and obey their voice. Through. (*P.*)

COMMUNION. O ye Angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise Him, and magnify Him for ever. *Song of the Three Children v.* 37.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee to direct and guide into the way of righteousness by the ministry of Thine Angels, those whom Thou dost vouchsafe to feed for eternal life, with such holy Mysteries. Through. (*P.*)

4. St. Francis of Assisi, Cf. Ab.

As in the Common, page XIX.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by the worthy deeds of blessed Francis hast enriched Thy Church by the generation of a new seed: grant that we, after his example; despising earthly things, may ever rejoice in the partaking of Thy heavenly gifts. Through.

6. St. Faith, V. M.

In the Common, page XXII, INT.; LESSON; GRAD. II.; Allel. IV.; OFFERT. I.; COMM. IV.

O GOD, Who dost give solemnity to this day by the martyrdom of Faith, Thy blessed Virgin: grant to Thy Church, to glory in her good deeds, forasmuch as we are holpen by her prayers. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, O Lord, our prayers and sacrifice, which we offer Thee for the sake of blessed Faith Thy Virgin and Martyr: and grant that they may be

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healthful to us at her supplication, in whose reverence they are set apart. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE who have been refreshed by partaking at Thy holy altar, O Lord, do humbly entreat Thy mercy: that as we have received the same in reverence of blessed Faith Thy Virgin and Martyr, we may know that we are succoured by her prayers. Through.

9.* St. Denys, Bp. M., and his Companions.

In the Common, page VIII, *all as* I., *except* Allel. III.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who on this day didst strengthen blessed Denys with the virtue of constancy in suffering, and Who wast pleased to join with him in fellowship Rusticus and Eleutherius for the preaching of Thy glory to the Gentiles: grant unto us, we beseech Thee; that we following their example, for love of Thee, may despise the prosperous things of this world, neither fear any of its adversities. Through.

LESSON. *Acts* xvii. 16.

WHILE Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city wholly given to idolatry. Therefore disputed he in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market daily with them that met with him. Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoicks, encountered him. And some said: What will this babbler say? other some: He seemeth to be a setter forth of strange gods; because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection. And they took him, and brought him unto Areopagus, saying: May we know what this new doctrine, whereof thou speakest, is? For thou bringest certain strange things to our ears: we would know therefore what these things mean. For all the Athenians and strangers which were there spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing. Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said: Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious. For as I passed by and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, To the unknown God. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, Him de-

* The Saint commemorated to-day is St. Dionysius the first Bishop of Paris, although, according to the English Use, it would be St. Dionysius the Areopagite; the Paris Use commemorates the Areopagite on October 3, on which day the Lesson from the Acts is read; the companion Martyrs Rusticus and Eleutherius suffered with the Bishop of Paris, not with the Areopagite.

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clare I unto you. God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that He is Lord of Heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, seeing He giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; and hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; that they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after Him, and find Him, though He be not far from every one of us: for in Him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said: For we are also His offspring. Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device. And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent: because He hath appointed a day, in the which He will judge the world in righteousness by that Man Whom He hath ordained; whereof He hath given assurance unto all men, in that He hath raised Him from the dead. And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said: We will hear thee again of this matter. So Paul departed from among them. Howbeit certain men clave unto him and believed: among the which was Dionysius the Areopagite.

SECRET.

O GOD, the author and giver of the gifts that are offered to Thee: grant, we beseech Thee, that this only Sacrifice which hath imparted charity to Thy Saints, may likewise bestow upon us aid in devotion. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE have received, O Lord, the sacred Mysteries, and humbly entreat Thy mercy: that they may become salvation to us, at their prayer whose glorious suffering we celebrate. Through.

13. Translation of St. Edward, K. Cf.

In the Common, INT.; LESSON; GOSP. *page* XIX; GRAD. *and* Allel. I., *page* XV; OFFERT. V.; *and* COMM. III. *page* V. *The Creed.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast crowned blessed King Edward Thy Confessor with eternal glory: make us, we beseech Thee; so to venerate him upon earth, that we may reign with him in heaven. Through.

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SECRET.

SHED abroad, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the light of the Holy Ghost, upon us who stand at Thy holy Altars: that what we devoutly offer to Thee in honour of the blessed King Edward, may (at his intercession) be to us a saving remedy. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE that have been nourished at the banquet of living Food, do beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that for the sake and prayers of blessed King Edward, Thy Confessor, we may be counted worthy to be made partakers of the heavenly feast. Through.

15. St. Theresa, V.

In the Common, page XXV.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by the admonitions and example of blessed Theresa, the Virgin, didst raise up servants and handmaidens to Thyself, upon whom Thou didst pour out of Thy Spirit: grant unto us (at her prayers); that we, after her example, may both be fed with the food of heavenly doctrine, and also inflamed with a desire for true perfection. Through . . . in the unity of the same. (*P.*)

17. St. Etheldreda, V.

In the Common, page XXV.

18. St. Luke, Ev.

INTROIT *of Cf. Ab., page* XIX.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY GOD, Who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul: may it please Thee, that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed. Through the merits of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Who.

EPISTLE. 2 *St. Timothy* iv. 5.

WATCH thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an Evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry. For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing. Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me: for Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia, only Luke is with me. Take Mark and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry. And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus. The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee;

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and the books, but especially the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works: of whom be thou ware also; for he hath greatly withstood our words.

GRADUAL *the same as on St. Matthew's day, page* 508.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* x. 1.

THE Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before His face into every city and place whither He Himself would come. Therefore said He unto them: The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth labourers into His harvest. Go your ways; behold I send you forth as lambs among wolves. Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes, and salute no man by the way. And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say: Peace be to this house. And if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again. And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the labourer is worthy of his hire. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY I. *and* COMMUNION III. *of M., page* V.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to give us grace, by these heavenly Gifts, to serve Thee with a free heart: that the offerings which we bring may (at the intercession of Saint Luke, Thine Evangelist,) work in us both healing and also glory. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech thee, almighty God, that the Gift we have received from Thy holy Altar, may (at the prayers of Saint Luke, Thine Evangelist,) bring salvation to our souls, whereby we may alway be in peace and safety. Through.

25. SS. Crispin and Crispinian, M.M.

In the Common, page IX, INT. IV.; EP. II.; GRAD. V.; Allel. III.; GOSP. III.; OFFERT. *and* COMM. IV.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast bestowed upon Thy holy Martyrs Crispin and Crispinian the crown of martyrdom: grant, we beseech Thee; that (at their intercession,) we may obtain pardon of our sins, and the everlasting joys of the blessed. Through.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O almighty God, that by these Gifts which we set before Thee in honour of Thy holy Martyrs Crispin and Crispinian, we may be recon-

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ciled to Thee by presenting them, and ourselves be quickened by receiving them. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, be aided by the prayers of Thy holy Martyrs Crispin and Crispinian: and as we celebrate their feast with these sacred Mysteries, make us alway to be devoted to Thy holy Name. Through.

27. Vigil of SS. Simon and Jude, App.

As in the Common of Many Martyrs, page VIII, INT. I; LESSON V.; GRAD. IV. GOSP. *St. John* xv., 5. I am the vine, *to end, page* 458; OFFERT. *and* COMM. III.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that like as we look forward to the glorious birthday of Thine Apostles Simon and Jude, so they themselves may come before Thy Majesty in our behalf, for the shewing forth of Thy benefits. Through.

SECRET *in the Common, page* II.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, being filled with Thy saving Mysteries, that we may be holpen by their prayers, whose feast we prepare for with fasting. Through.

28. SS. Simon and Jude, App.

INTROIT *as on St. Andrew's day, page* 429.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who hast built Thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the head corner-stone: grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto Thee. Through.

EPISTLE. *St. Jude* I.

JUDE, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called: Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied. Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you, that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation; ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ. I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord,

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having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. And the Angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, He hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day. Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.

GRADUAL. How dear are Thy friends unto me, O God: O how great is the preeminence of them. ℣. If I tell them: they are more in number than the sand.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain, alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xv. 17.

THESE things I command you, that ye love one another. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated Me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than the lord: if they have persecuted Me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept My saying, they will keep your's also. But all these things will they do unto you for My Name's sake, because they know not Him that sent Me. If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke for their sin. He that hateth Me hateth My Father also. If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin; but now have they both seen, and hated both Me and My Father. But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated Me without a cause. But when the Comforter is come, Whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, Which proceedeth from the Father, He shall testify of Me. And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with Me from the beginning. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Their sound is gone out into all lands: and their words into the ends of the world.

SECRET.

WE, O Lord, having in continual reverence the glory of Thy holy Apostles Simon and Jude, do beseech

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Thee, that we may more worthily celebrate the same, being cleansed by the sacred Mysteries. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Ye, that have followed Me, shall sit upon thrones: judging the twelve tribes of Israel, saith the Lord.

POSTCOMMUNION.

THE divine Mystery having been consecrated, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that their prayer fail not in our behalf, whose protection Thou hast given us for our governance. Through.

31. Vigil of All Saints.

INTROIT V. *page* IX.

COLLECT.

O LORD our God, increase and multiply upon us Thy grace: and grant, that we may by a holy profession follow after the joy of Thy Saints, to whose glorious solemnities we are coming. Through.

LESSON. *Revelation* v. 6.

I JOHN beheld, and lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth. And He came and took the book out of the right hand of Him that sat upon the throne. And when He had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of Saints. And they sung a new song, saying: Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy Blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; and hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth. And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many Angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands; saying with a loud voice: Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing for ever and ever, Amen.

GRADUAL VI *page* XI.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xvii. 11.

JESUS looking upon His disciples, said: Holy Father, keep through Thine own Name those whom Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, as We are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Thy Name: those that Thou gavest Me I have kept, and none of them

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is lost, but the son of perdition; that the Scripture might be fulfilled. And now come I to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have My joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them Thy Word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I pray not that Thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that Thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through Thy truth: Thy Word is truth. As Thou hast sent Me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on Me through their word: that they all may be one; as Thou, Father, art in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in Us: that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me. And the glory which Thou gavest Me I have given them; that they may be one, even as We are one: I in them, and Thou in Me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that Thou hast sent Me, and hast loved them, as Thou hast loved Me. Father, I will that they also, whom Thou hast given Me, be with Me where I am; that they may behold My glory, which Thou hast given Me: for Thou lovedst Me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father, the world hath not known Thee: but I have known Thee, and these have known that Thou hast sent Me. And I have declared unto them Thy Name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith Thou hast loved Me may be in them, and I in them.

OFFERTORY I., *page* XIII.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that the gifts which we lay upon Thine Altar, may aid us to attain unto eternal salvation, by the prayer of all Thy Saints, to whose coming solemnity we do now look forward. Through.

COMMUNION III., *page* XIII.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, now that we have joyfully received Thy Sacrament, earnestly desiring the coming feast-day: that we may be aided by the prayers of all those, in whose memory we have set forth our offerings before Thee. Through.

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NOVEMBER.

1. All Saints' Day.

With an Octave.

INTROIT. *Accessistis.*

YE are come unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of Angels : to the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven. *Heb.* xii. 22.

PSALM. Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised : in the city of our God, even upon His holy hill (xlviii. 1). Glory. Ye are come. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who hast knit together Thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of Thy Son Christ our Lord : grant us grace so to follow Thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which Thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love Thee. Through.

LESSON. *Revelation* vii. 2.

AND I saw another Angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God; and he cried with a loud voice to the four Angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth, and the sea, saying: Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. And I heard the number of them which were sealed ; and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand, of all the tribes of the children of Israel. Of the tribe of Juda were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Reuben were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Aser were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nephthali were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Manasses were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Symeon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Levi were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Joseph were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand. After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the

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throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying: Salvation to our God Which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the Angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders, and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, saying: Amen; Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

GRADUAL. O fear the Lord, ye that are His Saints: for they that fear Him lack nothing. ℣. But they who seek the Lord: shall want no manner of thing that is good. *Ps.* xxxiv. 9. (*S.*)

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Saints shall judge the nations, and have dominion over the people: and their Lord shall reign for ever, alleluia. *Wisd.* iii. 8. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* v. 1.

JESUS, seeing the multitudes, went up into a mountain; and when He was set, His disciples came unto Him. And He opened His mouth, and taught them, saying: Blessed are the poor in spirit: for their's is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for their's is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O God, wonderful art Thou in Thy holy ones: even the God of Israel; He will give strength and power unto His people; blessed be God, alleluia. *Ps.* lxviii. 35. (*P.*)

SECRET.

LET the Gifts we offer in memory of all Thy Saints be pleasing unto Thee, O Lord: that, of Thy gift, we may be counted worthy to be fellow-citizens with them, who, already secure of their own immortal life, are yet, as we do know, careful for our salvation. Through. (*P.*)

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 70.

COMMUNION. Thou wast

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slain, O Lord, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation, and hast made us unto our God kings and priests, alleluia. *Rev.* v. 9. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

WONDERFUL art Thou, O God, and we worship Thee, the only Holy One in all Thy Saints: and we entreat for Thy grace, whereby we may perfect holiness in Thy fear, that so we may pass from this table of wayfarers to the everlasting banquet of the heavenly country. Through. (*P.*)

2. Commemoration of All Souls.

INTROIT. *Requiem æternam.*

GRANT them, O Lord, eternal rest: and let perpetual light shine upon them.

PSALM. Thou, O God, art praised in Sion, and unto Thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem: Thou that hearest the prayer, unto Thee shall all flesh come (lxv. 1). Grant them.

COLLECT.

O GOD, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant unto the souls of all the faithful departed remission of all their sins: that through devout supplications they may obtain Thy gracious pardon which they have alway desired. Who livest.

EPISTLE. 1 *Thess.* iv. 13.

I WOULD not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that we sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven, with a shout, with the voice of the Archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we be ever with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

GRADUAL. Grant them, O Lord, eternal rest: and let perpetual light shine upon them. ℣. Let their souls dwell at ease: and their seed inherit the land.

TRACT. Out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. ℣. O let Thine ears consider well: the voice of my complaint. ℣. If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what

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is done amiss: O Lord, who may abide it? ℣. For there is mercy with Thee: therefore shalt Thou be feared.

SEQUENCE.* Day of wrath! O Day of mourning, see once more the Cross returning, heaven and earth in ashes burning!

O what fear man's bosom rendeth, when from Heaven the Judge descendeth, on Whose sentence all dependeth!

Wondrous sound the trumpet flingeth, through earth's sepulchres it ringeth, all before the throne it bringeth!

Death is struck, and nature quaking, all creation is awaking, to its Judge an answer making!

Lo, the Book, exactly worded, wherein all hath been recorded; — thence shall judgement be awarded.

When the Judge His seat attaineth, and each hidden deed arraigneth, nothing unavenged remaineth.

What shall I, frail man, be pleading? who for me be interceding? when the just are mercy needing.

King of majesty tremendous, Who dost free salvation send us, Fount of pity! then befriend us.

Think, kind Jesu!—my salvation caused Thy wondrous Incarnation; leave me not to reprobation!

Faint and weary Thou hast sought me, on the Cross of suffering bought me;—shall such grace be vainly brought me?

Righteous Judge of retribution, grant Thy gift of absolution, ere that reckoning day's conclusion!

Guilty, now I pour my moaning, all my shame with anguish owning; spare, O God, Thy suppliant groaning!

Thou the sinful woman savest; Thou the dying thief forgavest; and to me a hope vouchsafest.

Worthless are my prayers and sighing, yet, good Lord, in grace complying, rescue me from fires undying!

With Thy favoured sheep, O place me, nor among the goats abase me: but to Thy right hand upraise me.

While the wicked are confounded, doomed to flames of woe unbounded, call me, with Thy Saints surrounded.

Low I kneel, with heart-submission; see, like ashes, my contrition, help me, in my last condition.

Ah! that Day of tears and mourning! from the dust of earth returning, man for judgement must prepare him: spare, O God, in mercy spare him.

Lord, Who didst our souls redeem, grant a blessed Requiem! Amen.

¶ *At the Gospel, candles and incense are used, the Cross is not carried.*

GOSPEL. *St. John* xi. 21.

MARTHA said unto Jesus: Lord, if Thou

* This Sequence is found in the later editions of the Sarum book.

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hadst been here, my brother had not died. But I know, that even now, whatsoever Thou wilt ask of God, God will give it Thee. Jesus saith unto her: Thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith unto Him: I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said unto her: I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. Believest thou this? She saith unto Him: yea, Lord: I believe that Thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.

OFFERTORY. O merciful God, Who hast called back the first man unto eternal glory: O Good Shepherd, Who hast carried the lost sheep back to the fold upon Thy gracious shoulders: O just Judge, when Thou shalt come to judge, deliver from death their souls whom Thou hast redeemed; O deliver not the souls of them that confess Thee unto the multitude of the enemies; and forsake them not for ever.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, favourably to behold the Sacrifice which we offer unto Thee, for the souls of all the faithful departed: and as Thou didst suffer them to profess the Christian faith, so now give unto them the rewards thereof. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. Grant unto them, O Lord, in memory of whom the Body of Christ is received, everlasting rest. ℣. And let perpetual light shine upon them. Grant them, O Lord, in memory of whom the Blood of Christ is received, everlasting rest.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the prayers of Thy people, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that call upon Thee, be profitable unto the souls of all the faithful departed: that Thou mayest set them free from all their sins, and make them partakers of Thy redemption. Who livest.

3. St. Wenefred, V.M.

In the Common, page XXII, INT. *and* GRAD. II.; Allel. V; OFFERT. I., COMM. II. *Commemoration of the Octave.*

¶ *According to Sarum use, the Feast of All Saints is not kept with an Octave; according to Roman use, the Octave is observed, and the Creed is said on the Octave days.*

LESSON. *Wisdom* viii. 1.

VICE shall not prevail against wisdom. Wisdom reacheth from one end to another mightily: and sweetly doth she order all

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things. I loved her, and sought her out from my youth, I desired to make her my spouse, and I was a lover of her beauty. In that she is conversant with God, she magnifieth her nobility; yea, the Lord of all things Himself loved her. For she is privy to the mysteries of the knowledge of God, and a lover of His works.

4. St. Charles Borromeo, Bp. Cf.

In the Common as I., *page* XIV. *Commemoration of the Octave.*

COLLECT.

KEEP, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy Church with Thy perpetual mercy (at the intercession of Saint Charles, Thy Bishop): and as his pastoral care hath made him glorious; so may his prayers aid us ever to remain fervent in Thy love. Through. (*R.*)

6. St. Leonard, Cf. Ab.

In the Common, page XIX, *except* OFFERT. I., *page* XVII. *Commemoration of the Octave.*

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to further our prayers by Thy heavenly gift: that we who glory in the guardianship of blessed Leonard, Thy Confessor and Abbat, may ever be succoured for his sake and prayers. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, O Lord, the gifts to be humbly sacrificed to Thy loving-kindness: and grant, that they may be salvation to us, (at the intercession of Saint Leonard Thy Confessor and Abbat), on whose birthday we trust that they are acceptable to Thee. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the Sacrament, which we have received, cleanse us, O Lord, we beseech Thee: and may those things which we celebrate on the sacred feast of Saint Leonard, Thy Confessor and Abbat, profit us, (for his sake and protection,) to our eternal pardon. Through.

11. St. Martin, Bp. Cf.

As I. *in the Common, page* XIV, *except:*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Martin, this poor and needy man, entereth heaven rich: and is honoured with heavenly hymns, alleluia.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who seest that of our own strength we cannot stand upright: mercifully grant; (at the prayer of blessed Martin, Thy Confessor and Bishop) that we may be defended against all adversities. Through.

SECRET.

O GOD, Who hast willed that all good should be comprehended in the Mystery

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of Thy Sacred Body: mercifully grant, that we may perceive the benefit of this Gift which in reverence of blessed Martin, Thy Confessor and Bishop, we offer unto Thee. Who livest.

POSTCOMMUNION.

HELP Thy people, O Lord, we beseech Thee: that they, profiting by the virtue of Thy Sacraments, (at the intercession of blessed Martin, Thy Confessor and Bishop,) may evermore be governed by Thy Gift, and so, Thou being their guide, may come to the fellowship of eternal redemption. Through.

13. St. Britius, Bp. Cf.

In the Common, page XIV, INT. II.; LESSON III.; GRAD. *and* Allel. II.; GOSP. I.; OFFERT. II.; COMM. III.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, (at the intercession of blessed Britius, Thy Confessor and Bishop,) to keep Thy people that trust in Thy love: that (for his prayers' sake) we may be meet to have fellowship in the joys of heaven. Through.

SECRET.

LET the yearly feast, we beseech Thee, O Lord, of Saint Britius, Thy Confessor and Bishop, make us to be accepted of Thy loving-kindness: that by this service and devout oblation we may escape the miseries of this present world, and obtain the benefits of Thy grace. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

BEING refreshed with these divine Mysteries, we beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that Thou wouldest protect us in all places (at the intercession of blessed Britius, Thy Confessor and Bishop) on whose yearly feast-day we have offered to Thee this Sacrament. Through.

15. St. Machutus, Bp.

In the Common, page XIV. INT., LESSON I.; GRAD. IV.; Allel. I.; GOSP. I, *page* VII; OFFERT. *and* COMM. I, *page* XVII.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God, hear the prayers of Thy people: Who didst adorn blessed Machutus, Thy Confessor and Bishop, with the grace of fortitude, and didst receive him up this day into heavenly glory. Through.

SECRET.

FAVOURABLY look upon our oblation, we beseech Thee, O Lord, which we bring before Thee to be consecrated in honour of blessed Machutus, Thy Confessor and Bishop: praying, that, (for his sake and intercession,) we may be worthy to obtain pardon of Thy mercy, of all the sins which

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in our negligence we have committed. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

THOSE whom Thou hast fulfilled with heavenly Gifts, O Lord, do Thou of Thy goodness raise up, with the protection of Saint Machutus, Thy Confessor and Bishop: that we being delivered from all hurtful things, may run with our whole hearts in the way of Thy salvation. Through.

17. St. Hugh, Bp.

In the Common, page XIV, INT. I.; LESSON II.; GRAD. *and* Allel. I.; GOSP. II.; OFFERT. *and* COMM. I.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst eminently adorn blessed Hugh, Thy Confessor and Bishop, with the excellency of his good deeds, and renowned miracles: mercifully grant; that the brightness of his virtues may stir us up to the following of his works. Through.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let blessed Hugh, Thy Confessor and Bishop, attend the Oblations which we offer to Thee: and being aided for his sake, may we thereby attain unto grace and glory. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God, let blessed Hugh, Thy Confessor and Bishop, make our bounden duty and service acceptable to Thee: that our guilt may not shut off from us the effect of Thy heavenly Sacrament. Through.

20. St. Edmund, K.M.

In the Common, page II, INT. III.; *Lesson* II.; GRAD. *and* Allel. I.; GOSP. IV.; OFFERT. I.; COMM. III.

COLLECT.

O GOD of unspeakable mercy, Who didst give grace to the most blessed King Edmund to overcome his enemy by dying for Thy Name: mercifully grant to this Thy family; that (through his intercession) they may be enabled to mortify and kill the incitement of their ancient enemy within them. Through.

SECRET.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, we beseech Thee mercifully to look upon this Sacrifice of our redemption: and (at the intercession of blessed Edmund, Thy King and Martyr), be pleased to accept the same for the sake of this Thy family. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O ALMIGHTY God, let this our bounden duty and service be acceptable unto Thee: and let these holy Things which we have taken, (at the intercession of blessed Edward, Thy King

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and Martyr,) further us to the obtaining the rewards of everlasting life. Through.

21. Presentation of B. V. M.

INTROIT. *Adducentur.*

THE virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto Thee: with joy and gladness shall they be brought, and shall enter into the King's palace. *Ps.* xlv. 15.

PSALM. My heart is inditing of a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made unto the King (*v.* 1). Glory. The virgins. (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst will that blessed Mary, Ever Virgin, the tabernacle of the Holy Ghost, should as on this day be presented in the temple: grant, we beseech Thee, (at her intercession) that we may be counted worthy to be presented in the temple of Thy glory. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

LESSON. *Ecclesiasticus* li. 13.

I DESIRED wisdom openly in my prayer. I prayed for her before the temple, and will seek her out even to the end. Even from the flower till the grape was ripe hath my heart delighted in her: my foot went the right way, from my youth up sought I after her. I bowed down mine ear a little, and received her, and gat much learning. (*P.*)

GRADUAL. Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear: forget also thine own people, and thy father's house. ℣. So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty: for He is thy Lord God. *Ps.* xlv. 11.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. My beloved is mine, and I am His: He feedeth among the lilies, alleluia. *Song Sol.* ii. 16. (*P.*)

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xi. 27.

IT came to pass, as Jesus spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto Him: Blessed is the womb that bare Thee, and the paps which Thou hast sucked. But He said: Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the Word of God, and keep it. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. *Ps.* lxxxiv. 2. (*P.*)

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that on these Gifts, there may come down the grace of the Holy Ghost: full of Which, the most blessed Virgin Mary offered herself unto Thee a living sacrifice, holy and well-pleasing. Through . . . in the unity of the same. (*P.*)

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COMMUNION. The Lord

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hath chosen her: to be an habitation for Himself. *Ps.* cxxxii. 14.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who didst inspire blessed Mary with a holy purpose of virginity: grant we beseech Thee; that we who on this feast of her Presentation have received the Corn of the Elect, and the Wine that bringeth forth virgins, by the effectual power of this Sacrament, may ever preserve unstained purity of body and soul, and may be written in the number of Thine elect. Through. (*P.*)

22. St. Cecilia, V. M.

In the Common, page XXII, INT. *and* LESSON II.; GRAD. IV.; Allel. III.; OFFERT. I.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who makest us glad by the yearly festival of blessed Cecilia, Thy Virgin and Martyr: grant that while we venerate her memory with holy service, we may follow the example of her holy life and conversation. Through.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O almighty and merciful God, that as we offer the divine Sacrament on the solemnity of Saint Cecilia, Thy Virgin and Martyr: so (at her holy prayers) we may obtain the bounty of Thy pardon. Through.

COMMUNION. Let the proud be confounded, for they go about wickedly to destroy me: but I will be occupied in Thy commandments, and Thy statutes, that I be not ashamed. *Ps.* cxix. 78.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we who have been made partakers of Thy Mysteries, do entreat Thy mercy, that (at the intercession of blessed Cecilia, Thy Virgin and Martyr) we may be worthy to obtain the pardon of all our sins. Through.

23. St. Clement, Bp. M.

INTROIT. *Dicit Dominus.*

THUS saith the Lord, My words which I have put in thy mouth shall not depart out of thy mouth: for thy name is here, and thy offerings shall be acceptable upon My altar. *Is.* lix. 21.

PSALM. Hear my prayer, O Lord: and let my crying come unto Thee (cii. 1). Glory. Thus saith.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost make us to rejoice in the yearly solemnity of blessed Clement, Thy Martyr and Bishop: favourably grant; that we who keep his birthday may likewise imitate his fortitude in suffering. Through.

EPISTLE. *Philippians* iv. 1.

MY brethren, dearly beloved and longed for

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my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved. I beseech Euodias, and beseech Syntyche, that they be of the same mind in the Lord. And I entreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the Gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellowlabourers, whose names are in the book of life.

GRADUAL III., *page* XV.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. That Saint is worthily held in the memory of men, who hath been translated to the joys of Angels, alleluia.

GOSP. I., *page* VII; OFFERT. *and* COMM., I. *page* XVII.

SECRET.

O LORD, we joyfully offer Thee our Gift on the passion of blessed Clement, Thy Martyr and Bishop: for like as we do know that he is living in glory in Thy presence, so are we sure that he intercedeth for us. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the partaking of the divine Sacrament, as well as the glorious supplication of blessed Clement, Thy Martyr and Bishop, cleanse us. Through.

25. St. Katherine, V. M.

In the Common, page XXII, INT. LESSON *and* GRAD. II; Allel. VI. OFFERT. II.; COMM. IV.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who didst command the body of Thy glorious Virgin Katherine to be carried by Angels to the top of Mount Sinai: grant, we beseech Thee; by the help of her prayers, that we may be carried to the height of all virtue, where we may be able to behold the clear vision of Thy glory. Through.

SECRET.

FAVOURABLY receive, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the Oblations of Thy faithful people, which we joyfully offer Thee to-day in honour of Saint Katherine, Thy Virgin and Martyr: and so (at her intercession) do Thou be pleased to be present with us through this Sacrifice, that Thou mayest of Thy clemency deliver us from the perils and dangers of this life, and mercifully absolve us from all our sins. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to Thy people, by these holy Things which we have taken, health of body and mind: and (at the intercession of blessed Katherine, Thy Virgin and Martyr, in whose honour we rejoice,) fill the hearts of Thy faithful people with perpetual comfort; so that being relieved by Thy divine protection, they may please Thee by a holy devotion, and ever obtain Thy benefits. Through.

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THE COMMON OF SAINTS.

Vigil of an Apostle or Evangelist.

INTROIT. *Ego autem.*

AS for me, I am like a green olive-tree in the house of God, my trust is in the tender mercy of God: and I will hope in Thy Name, for Thy Saints like it well. *Ps.* lii. 9.

PSALM. Why boastest thou thyself, thou tyrant: that thou canst do mischief (*v.* 1). Glory. As for me.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that our devotion, with which we prepare for the birthday of blessed N., Thine Apostle, may (at his intercession) avail to the increase of his prayers for us. Through.

I. LESSON. *Ecclus.* xliv. 22.

THE blessing of the Lord is upon the head of the righteous. Therefore the Lord gave him an heritage, and divided his portion among the twelve tribes. And he found favour in the sight of all flesh. And He magnified him so that his enemies stood in fear of him. By His words He caused the wonders to cease: He made him glorious in the sight of kings, and gave him a commandment for His people, and showed him His glory. He sanctified him in his faithfulness and meekness, and chose him out of all men. He gave him commandments before His face, even the law of life and knowledge: and exalted him. An everlasting covenant He made with him; the Lord beautified him with comely ornaments, and clothed him with a robe of glory.

II. *Proverbs* iii. 13.

HAPPY is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding. For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold. She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her. Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honour. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy is every one that retaineth her. The Lord by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath He established the heavens. By His knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew.

GRADUAL. The righteous shall flourish like a palm-

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tree: and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus in the house of the Lord. ℣. To tell of Thy loving-kindness early in the morning: and of Thy truth in the night-season. *Ps.* xcii. 11.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xv. 12.

JESUS said to His disciples: This is My commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are My friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of My Father I have made known unto you. Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in My Name, He may give it you.

OFFERTORY. Thou crownest him with glory and worship: and makest him to have dominion of the work of Thy hands, O Lord. *Ps.* viii. 5.

SECRET.

LET the offering of this our devotion be acceptable unto Thee, O Lord: and make us to come with purer minds to the feast of Thine Apostles. Through.

DAILY PREFACE.

COMMUNION. His honour is great in Thy salvation: glory and great worship shalt Thou lay upon him, O Lord. *Ps.* xxi. 5.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT unto us, O eternal Giver of good, that we may in all places be protected by the prayers of him, whose birthday we anticipate with devotion and service, by means of these holy Things which we have received. Through.

¶ *Gloria in excelsis is not said.*

Of one Martyr.

I. INTROIT. *Lætabitur justus.*

THE righteous shall rejoice in the Lord, and put his trust in Him: and all they that are true of heart shall be glad. *Ps.* lxiv. 10. *In Eastertide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

PSALM. Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy (*v.* 1). Glory. The righteous.

II. THE righteous shall rejoice in Thy strength, O Lord; exceeding glad shall he be of Thy salvation: Thou hast given him his heart's desire.

PSALM. For thou shalt prevent him with the blessings of goodness: and shalt set a crown of pure gold upon his head. Glory. The righteous.

III. THOU crownest him with glory and worship: and makest him to have dominion

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of the works of Thy hands. *Ps.* viii. 6.

PSALM. O Lord, our Governour: how excellent is Thy Name in all the world (*v.* 1). Glory. Thou crownest.

IV. HIDE me from the gathering together of the froward, alleluia: from the insurrection of wicked doers, alleluia, alleluia, *Ps.* lxiv. 2.

PSALM. Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy (*v.* 1). Glory. Hide me.

COLLECT.

BE present, O Lord, at our supplications, and, at the intercession of blessed N., Thy Martyr, graciously pour upon us Thy continual mercy. Through.

I. LESSON. *Ecclus.* xiv. 20.

BLESSED is the man that doth meditate good things in wisdom, and that reasoneth of holy things by his understanding. With the bread of understanding shall she feed him, and give him the water of wisdom to drink. He shall be stayed upon her, and shall not be moved: and shall rely upon her, and shall not be confounded; she shall exalt him above his neighbours, and the Lord our God shall cause him to inherit an everlasting name.

II. *Ecclus.* xxxi. 8.

BLESSED is the rich that is found without blemish, and hath not gone after gold. Who is he? and we will call him blessed; for wonderful things hath he done among his people. Who hath been tried thereby, and found perfect? then let him glory. Who might offend, and hath not offended? or done evil, and hath not done it? His goods shall be established, and the congregation shall declare his alms.

III. *Galatians* v. 10.

BRETHREN, I have confidence in you through the Lord, that ye will be none otherwise minded: but he that troubleth you shall bear his judgement, whosoever he be. And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is the offence of the Cross ceased. I would they were even cut off which trouble you. As many as desire to make a fair show in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the Cross of Christ. For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh. But God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by Whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

I. GRADUAL. Thou shalt set, O Lord, a crown: of pure gold upon his head. ℣. Thou hast given him his heart's desire: and hast not

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denied him the request of his lips.

II. BLESSED is the man that feareth the Lord: he hath great delight in His commandments. ℣. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the faithful shall be blessed.

I. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord, and put his trust in Him: and all they that are true of heart shall be glad, alleluia.

II. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Thou shalt set, O Lord, upon his head: a crown of pure gold, alleluia.

III. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, alleluia.

TRACT. Thou hast given him his heart's desire: and hast not denied him the request of his lips. ℣. For Thou shalt prevent him: with the blessings of goodness. ℣. Thou shalt set a crown: of pure gold upon his head.

I. GOSPEL. *St. John* xii. 24.

JESUS said to His disciples: Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit. He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal. If any man serve Me, let him follow Me: and where I am, there shall also My servant be: if any man serve Me, him will My Father honour.

II. *St. Matthew* x. 26.

JESUS said to His disciples: There is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known. What I tell you in darkness, that speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, that preach ye upon the housetops. And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear Him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear ye not, therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows. Whosoever, therefore, shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before My Father which is in heaven.

III. *St. Matthew* xvi. 24.

JESUS said to His disciples: If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for My sake shall find it. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain

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the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? For the Son of Man shall come in the glory of His Father with His Angels; and then He shall reward every man according to his works. Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom.

IV. *St. Luke* xiv. 26.

JESUS said to His disciples: If any man come to Me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple. And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after Me, cannot be My disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that behold it begin to mock him, saying: This man began to build, and was not able to finish. Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand? Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace. So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be My disciple.

I. OFFERTORY. Thou crownest him with glory and worship: and makest him to have dominion of the works of Thy hands, O Lord. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

II. THE righteous shall rejoice in Thy strength, O Lord: exceeding glad shall he be of Thy salvation; Thou hast given him the request of his lips.

III. O Lord, the very heavens shall praise Thy wondrous works: and Thy truth in the congregation of the Saints, alleluia, alleluia.

IV. THE righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree: and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus. *Ps.* cxii.

V. THOU shalt set, O Lord, a crown of pure gold upon his head: he asked life of Thee, and Thou gavest it him, alleluia. *In Easter-tide, another* alleluia *is added.*

SECRET.

LOOK, we beseech Thee, O Lord, with Thy favourable loving-kindness upon these Gifts lying before Thee: that the blessing of Thy Holy Spirit may be shed abroad upon them; to the intent that through them greater love may be poured into our

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hearts, by which same love Saint N., Thy Martyr, overcame all his bodily torments. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

I. COMMUNION: If any man will come after Me : let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

II. THOU shalt set, O Lord: a crown of pure gold upon his head.

III. HIS honour is great in Thy salvation : glory and great worship shalt Thou lay upon him, O Lord.

IV. I am the true vine, and ye are the branches : he that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit, alleluia, alleluia.

V. THE righteous shall rejoice in the Lord, and put his trust in Him : and all they that are true of heart shall be glad. *In Eastertide,* Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, mercifully absolve from all their sins, those whom Thou hast refreshed with these heavenly Mysteries : and (at the intercession of blessed N., Thy Martyr,) may we, with our minds purified, ever delight in the divine Gift. Through.

Of a Martyr and Bishop.

INTROIT. *Gloria.*

THOU crownest him with glory and worship : and makest him to have dominion of the works of Thy hands. *Ps.* viii. 5.

PSALM. O Lord our Governour : how excellent is Thy Name in all the world. (*v.* 1.) Glory. Thou crownest.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast made the joy of this day holy to us by reason of the commemoration of Thy blessed Martyr and Bishop N. : be present at the prayers of Thy family, and grant ; that as we keep his feast to-day, we may be holpen for his sake and at his intercession. Through.

I. EPISTLE. *Hebrews* v. 1.

BRETHREN, Every high priest taken from among men is ordained for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins : who can have compassion on the ignorant, and on them that are out of the way ; for that he himself also is compassed with infirmity : and by reason hereof he ought, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for sins. And no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of God, as was Aaron. As he saith also in another place : Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

II. *Hebrews* xiii. 9.

BRETHREN, Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For it is a good thing that the

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heart be established with grace; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein. We have an altar, whereof they have no right to eat which serve the tabernacle. For the bodies of those beasts whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp. Wherefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own Blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto Him without the camp, bearing His reproach. For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come. By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to His Name. But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

GRADUAL. Thou shalt set, O Lord, upon his head: a crown of pure gold. ℣. Thou hast given him his heart's desire: and hast not denied him the request of his lips.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Thou shalt set, O Lord, upon his head: a crown of pure gold, alleluia.

TRACT. Thou hast given him, *page* IV.

I. GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xix. 12.

JESUS spake this parable to His disciples: A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them: Occupy till I come. But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying: We will not have this man to reign over us. And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom, then he commanded those servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading. Then came the first, saying: Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds. And he said unto him: Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities. And the second came, saying: Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds. And he said likewise to him: Be thou also over five cities. And another came, saying: Lord, behold, here is thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin: for I feared thee, because thou art an austere man: thou takest up that thou layedst not down, and reapest that thou didst not sow. And he saith unto him: Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, thou wicked servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man, taking up that I laid not down, and reaping that I did not sow: wherefore then gavest not

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thou my money into the bank, that at my coming I might have required mine own with usury? And he said unto them that stood by: Take from him the pound, and give it to him that hath ten pounds. And they said unto him: Lord, he hath ten pounds. For I say unto you: That unto every one which hath shall be given; and from him that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him. But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me. And when He had thus spoken, He went before, ascending up to Jerusalem.

II. GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* ix. 35.

JESUS went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith He unto His disciples: The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into the harvest. And as ye go, preach, saying: The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give. Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.

OFFERTORY. Thou shalt set, O Lord, upon his head: a crown of pure gold; he asked life of Thee, and Thou gavest it him, alleluia.

SECRET.

MERCIFULLY regard, we beseech Thee, O Lord, these Gifts which we offer unto Thee: and, at the prayer of blessed N., Thy Martyr and Bishop, on whose commemoration we present them, do Thou vouchsafe to hallow both us ourselves and them. Through.

COMMUNION. Thou shalt set, O Lord, upon his head: a crown of pure gold.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we have received these heavenly Sacraments on the solemn feast-day of Thy holy Martyr and Bishop N.: do Thou, of Thy bounty, we beseech Thee, grant, (at his prayers,) that what we celebrate in this time present, we may obtain in everlasting joy. Through.

Of Many Martyrs.

I. INTROIT. *Introit in conspectu.*

O LET the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners, O Lord, come before Thee;

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reward Thou our neighbours sevenfold into their bosom: O revenge the blood of Thy servants that hath been shed. *Ps.* lxxix. 11.

PSALM. O God, the heathen are come into Thine inheritance, Thy holy Temple have they defiled: and made Jerusalem an heap of stones (*v.* 1). Glory. O let.

II. THY Saints shall give thanks unto Thee, O Lord: they shall shew the glory of Thy kingdom, alleluia. *Ps.* cxlv. 10.

PSALM. I will magnify Thee, O God, my King: and I will praise Thy Name for ever and ever (*v.* 1). Glory. Thy Saints.

III. LET the people tell of the wisdom of the Saints, and the congregation shew forth their praise: their names shall live for evermore. *Ecclus.* xliv. 15.

PSALM. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful (xxxiii. 1). Glory. Let the people.

IV. BUT the salvation of the righteous cometh of the Lord: Who is also their strength in the time of trouble. *Ps.* xxxvii. 40.

PSALM. Fret not thyself because of the ungodly: neither be thou envious against the evil doers (*v.* 1). Glory. But the salvation.

V. O fear the Lord, ye that are His Saints, for they that fear Him lack nothing: the rich do lack and suffer hunger, but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good. *Ps.* xxxiv. 9.

PSALM. I will alway give thanks unto the Lord: His praise shall ever be in my mouth (*v.* 1). Glory. O fear.

¶ *For many Martyrs not Bishops.*

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, grant us so worthily to venerate the good deeds of Thy holy Martyrs, N. and N.: that we may be both set free from the dangers that beset us, and also made meet for everlasting joys. Through.

¶ *For many Martyrs Bishops.*

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who didst kindle the fire of Thy love in the hearts of Thy holy Martyrs and Bishops, N. and N: pour into our minds such power of faith and love; that so we may profit by their examples, in whose triumphs we do rejoice. Through.

I. EPISTLE. *Hebrews* xi. 33.

THE Saints through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned

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to flight the armies of the aliens: women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection: and others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment: they were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented; of whom the world was not worthy: they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And these all, were ound to have obtained a good report through faith in Christ Jesus our Lord.

II. 1 *Corinthians* iv. 9.

BRETHREN, We are made a spectacle unto the world, and to Angels, and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but ye are wise in Christ; we are weak, but ye are strong: ye are honourable, but we are despised. Even unto this present hour we both hunger, and thirst, and are naked, and are buffeted, and have no certain dwelling-place; and labour, working with our own hands: being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we suffer it: being defamed, we intreat: we are made as the filth of the world, and are the offscouring of all things unto this day. I write not these things to shame you, but as my beloved sons I warn you, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

III. *Ecclesiasticus* xlv. 10.

THESE were merciful men, whose righteousness hath not been forgotten. With their seed shall continually remain a good inheritance, and their children are within the covenant. Their seed standeth fast, and their children for their sakes. Their seed shall remain for ever, and their glory shall not be blotted out. Their bodies are buried in peace; but their name liveth for evermore. The people will tell of their wisdom, and the congregation will shew forth their praise.

IV. *Wisdom* v. 15.

BUT the righteous live for evermore; their reward also is with the Lord, and the care of them is with the Most High. Therefore shall they receive a glorious kingdom, and a beautiful crown from the Lord's hand: for with His right hand shall He cover them, and with His arm shall He protect them. He shall take to Him His jealousy for complete armour, and make the creature His weapon for the revenge of His enemies. He shall put on righteousness as a breastplate, and true judgement instead of an helmet. He shall take holiness for an invincible shield.

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V. *Wisdom* iii. 1.

THE souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die: and their departure is taken for misery. And their going from us to be utter destruction: but they are in peace. For though they be punished in the sight of men, yet is their hope full of immortality. And having been a little chastised, they shall be greatly rewarded: for God proved them, and found them worthy for Himself. As gold in the furnace hath He tried them, and received them as a burnt offering. And in the time of their visitation they shall shine, and run to and fro like sparks among the stubble. They shall judge the nations, and have dominion over the people, and their Lord shall reign for ever.

I. GRADUAL. The Lord is glorious in His Saints: marvellous in His majesty, doing wonders. ℣. Thy right hand, O Lord, is become glorious in power: Thy right hand hath dashed in pieces the enemy. *Ex.* xv. 6.

II. THE righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them: and delivereth them out of all their troubles. ℣. The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart: and will save such as be of an humble spirit. *Ps.* xxxiv. 17.

III. THE souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. ℣. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die: but they are in peace. *Wisd.* iii. 1.

IV. AVENGE, O Lord, Thy servants' blood that is shed. ℣. The dead bodies of Thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the air: and the flesh of Thy Saints unto the beasts of the land. *Ps.* lxxix. 2

V. BEHOLD, how good and joyful a thing it is: brethren, to dwell together in unity. ℣. It is like the precious ointment upon the head: that ran down unto the beard, even unto Aaron's beard. *Ps.* cxxxiii. 1.

VI. LET the Saints be joyful with glory: let them rejoice in their beds. ℣. O sing unto the Lord a new song: let the congregation of Saints praise Him. *Ps.* cxlix. 5.

I. Alleluia, alleluia. Thy Saints shall give thanks unto Thee, O Lord: they shall shew the glory of Thy kingdom, alleluia.

II. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Thy Saints, O Lord, shall blossom as the lily: as the sweet odour of balsam shall they be before Thee, alleluia.

III. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God: let them also be merry and joyful, alleluia.

In Septuagesima, instead of Alleluias *and* ℣. *is said:*

TRACT. They that sow in

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tears: shall reap in joy. ℣. They that now go on their way weeping: bearing forth good seed. ℣. Shall doubtless come again with joy: and bring their sheaves with them. *Ps.* cxxvi.

I. GOSPEL. *St. Luke* vi. 17.

JESUS came down from the mountain with them, and stood in the plain, and the company of His disciples, and a great multitude of people out of all Judæa and Jerusalem, and from the sea-coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear Him, and to be healed of their diseases; and they that were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to touch Him: for there went virtue out of Him, and healed them all. And He lifted up His eyes on His disciples, and said: Blessed be ye poor: for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are ye that hunger now: for ye shall be filled. Blessed are ye that weep now: for ye shall laugh. Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of Man's sake. Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward is great in heaven.

II. *St. Matthew* x. 23.

JESUS said to His disciples When they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of Man be come. The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord. It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more shall they call them of his household? Fear them not therefore.

III. *St. Matthew* x. 16.

JESUS said to His disciples: Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves. But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues; and ye shall be brought before governours and kings for My sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles. But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak. For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you. And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against their parents, and cause them to be put to death. And ye

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shall be hated of all men for My Name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.

I. OFFERTORY. Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord: and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

II. O Lord, the very heavens shall praise Thy wondrous works: and Thy truth in the congregation of the Saints, alleluia.

III. THE Saints shall be joyful with glory, they shall rejoice in their beds: the praises of God shall be in their mouth.

IV. ALL they that love Thy Name shall be joyful in Thee; for Thou, Lord, wilt give Thy blessing unto the righteous: and with Thy favourable kindness, O Lord, wilt Thou defend him as with a shield.

¶ *Of Many Martyrs.*

SECRET.

RECEIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the gifts of Thy people, on this feast of Thy holy Martyrs: and so make us with sincere hearts and minds to take part in their birthdays. Through.

¶ *Of Martyrs Bishops.*

VENERATING the glorious deeds of Thy holy Martyrs and Bishops N. and N., we offer these gifts unto Thy majesty, O Lord: beseeching Thee, that thus shewing reverence to them, we may obtain Thy pardon for ourselves. Through.

I. COMMUNION. A great multitude of sick, and they that were vexed with unclean spirits, came unto Him: for there went virtue out of Him, and healed them all. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

II. REJOICE in the Lord, O ye righteous, alleluia: for it becometh well the just to be thankful, alleluia, alleluia.

III. THE souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them: in the sight of the unwise they seemed to die, but they are in peace.

IV. FOR though they be punished in the sight of men: God proved them, as gold in the furnace hath He tried them, and received them as a burnt offering.

¶ *Of Many Martyrs.*

POSTCOMMUNION.

REJOICING, O Lord, in the partaking of Thy Sacraments, we humbly beseech Thee: that Thou wouldest make us imitate their constancy, whose good deeds Thou dost vouchsafe us to celebrate. Through.

¶ *Of Martyrs Bishops.*

O GOD, Who dost purify us by the partaking of Thine adorable Sacrament: grant us, we beseech Thee; the continual help of Thy Saints, by which we may obtain a portion in the Mystery of Salvation. Through.

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Of a Confessor.

I. INTROIT. *Statuit ei.*

THE Lord hath established a covenant of peace with him, and made him a chief: that he should have the dignity of the priesthood for ever. *Ecclus.* xlv. 7. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

PSALM. My song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord. Glory. The Lord.

II. O ye priests of God, bless ye the Lord: O ye holy and humble men of heart, praise God. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

PSALM. O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise Him, and magnify Him for ever. Glory. O ye priests.

III. LET Thy priests, O Lord, be clothed with righteousness, and let Thy Saints sing with joyfulness: for Thy servant David's sake, turn not away the presence of Thine Anointed. *Ps.* cxxxii. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

PSALM. Lord, remember David: and all his trouble (*v.* 1). Glory. Let Thy priests.

I. COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God: that the reverend solemnity of blessed N., Thy Confessor and Bishop, may both increase our devotion, and also advance our salvation. Through.

II. O Almighty and everlasting God, Who makest us glad to-day with the festival of blessed N., Thy Confessor and Bishop: we humbly entreat Thy mercy; that as we venerate his solemn feast with devotion and service, (we may, at his pious intercession,) be holpen to obtain the rewards of everlasting life. Through.

I. LESSON. *Ecclus.* xliv. 16.

BEHOLD a great priest, who in his days pleased God, and was found righteous: and in the time of wrath he was taken in exchange for the world. There was none found like unto him, who kept the law of the Most High. Therefore the Lord assured him by an oath, that He would bless the nations in his seed. With him did He establish the blessing of all men, and the covenant, and made it to rest upon his head. He acknowledged him in His blessing: He preserved His mercy for him: and he found favour in the sight of the Lord. He magnified him in the sight of kings: and gave him a crown of glory. An everlasting covenant He made with him, and gave him a great priesthood, and beautified him with comely ornaments: to execute the office of the priesthood, and to bless the people in His Name, and to offer incense to Him meet for a sweet savour.

II. *Ecclesiasticus* xlv. 1.

BELOVED of God and men, whose memorial

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is blessed. He made him like to the glorious Saints, and magnified him, so that his enemies stood in fear of him. By his words he caused the wonders to cease, and He made him glorious in the sight of kings, and gave him a commandment for His people, and shewed him part of His glory. He sanctified him in his faithfulness and meekness, and chose him out of all men. He made him to hear His voice, and brought him into the dark cloud, and gave him commandments before His face, even the law of life and knowledge.

III. *Wisdom* x. 10.

WISDOM guided the righteous in right paths, shewed him the kingdom of God, and gave him knowledge of holy things, made him rich in his travels, and multiplied the fruit of his labours. In the covetousness of such as oppressed him she stood by him, and made him rich. She defended him from his enemies, and kept him safe from those that lay in wait, and in a sore conflict she gave him the victory; that he might know that godliness is stronger than all. When the righteous was sold, she forsook him not, but delivered him from sin: she went down with him into the pit, and left him not in bonds, till she brought him the sceptre of the kingdom, and power against those that oppressed him: as for them that had accused him, she shewed them to be liars, and gave him perpetual glory.

I. GRADUAL. Thou shalt prevent him with the blessings of goodness, O Lord: and shalt set a crown of pure gold upon his head. ℣. He asked life of Thee, and Thou gavest him a long life: even for ever and ever.

II. BEHOLD a high priest: who in his days pleased God. ℣. There was found none like him: who kept the law of the Most High. *Ecclus.* xliv.

III. THE Lord sware, and will not repent: thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech. ℣. The Lord said unto my Lord: sit Thou on My right hand. *Ps.* cx.

IV. I have found David My servant, with My holy oil have I anointed him: My hand shall hold him fast, and My arm shall strengthen him. ℣. The enemy shall not be able to do him violence: the son of wickedness shall not hurt him. *Ps.* lxxxix.

I. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The righteous shall blossom as the lily: and shall flourish before the Lord for ever, alleluia.

II. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord loved and adorned him: and hath clothed him with a robe of glory, alleluia.

III. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I have found David My servant: with My holy oil have I anointed him, alleluia.

IV. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord hath chosen thee

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to be a high priest among His people, alleluia.

V. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I have laid help upon one that is mighty: I have exalted one chosen out of the people, alleluia.

TRACT. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord: he hath great delight in His commandments. ℣. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the faithful shall be blessed. ℣. Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house: and his righteousness remaineth for ever.

I. GOSPEL. *St. Matt.* xxv. 14.

JESUS spake this parable to His disciples: A man travelling into a far country, called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey. Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents. And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two. But he that had received one, went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money. After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them. And he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying: Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. His lord said unto him: Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. He also that had received two talents, came, and said: Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them. His lord said unto him: Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

II. *St. Mark* xiii. 33.

JESUS said to His disciples: Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is. For the Son of Man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch. Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock-crowing, or in the morning: lest suddenly he find you sleeping. And what I say unto you, I say unto all, Watch.

III. *St. Matthew* xxiv. 42.

JESUS said to His disciples: Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour

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your Lord doth come. But know this, that if the good man of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up. Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of Man cometh. Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.

I. OFFERTORY. My truth and My mercy shall be with him: and in My Name shall his horn be exalted. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia.

II. I have found David My servant, with My holy oil have I anointed him: My hand shall hold him fast, and My arm shall strengthen him. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia.

I. SECRET.

LOOK, we beseech Thee, O Lord, upon the gifts which Thy servants offer Thee, in honour of blessed N., Thy Confessor and Bishop, and let the bearing witness to Thy truth ever profit us to our salvation. Through.

II. We beseech Thee, O Lord, mercifully receive our supplications: and, (at the intercession of blessed N., Thy Confessor and Bishop for us,) grant that we who attend these heavenly Sacraments may be free from all guilt of sin; so that, by the purifying of Thy grace, we may be cleansed by these self-same Mysteries at which we serve. Through.

I. COMMUNION. Blessed is that servant whom his Lord, when He cometh, shall find watching: verily, I say unto you, He shall make him ruler over all His goods. *St. Matt.* xxiv. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

II. LORD, Thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more: Well done, Thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord. *St. Matt.* xxv. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia.

III. HE is a faithful and wise servant, whom his Lord hath made ruler over His household: to give them their portion of meat in due season. *St. Matt.* xxiv. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

I. POSTCOMMUNION.

THOSE whom Thou dost refresh by Thy Sacraments, O Lord, vouchsafe mercifully to raise up, (at the prayers of holy N., Thy Confessor and Bishop,) that we may know both by these Mysteries as well as in our minds

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the effect of our redemption. Through.

II. GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that we who have been cleansed by the divine Mysteries, (at the intercession of blessed N., Thy Confessor and Bishop,) may stretch forward to the fulness of the Sacrament above, of which holy things we have partaken. Through.

Of a Confessor and Doctor.

INTROIT II. *In the Common of a Confessor, page* XIV.

COLLECT.

HEAR our prayers, O Lord, which we bring on this solemnity of Saint N., Thy Confessor and Doctor: and for the sake of his prayers, who was accounted worthy to serve Thee, absolve us from all our sins. Through.

I. LESSON. *Ecclus.* xlvii. 8.

IN all his works he praised the Holy One most high with words of glory; with his whole heart he sung songs, and loved Him that made him. For he destroyed the enemies on every side, and he set singers also before the altar, that by their voices they might make sweet melody, He beautified their feasts, and set in order the solemn times until the end, that they might praise His holy Name, and that the temple might sound from morning. The Lord took away his sins, and exalted his horn for ever. Wisdom shall praise herself, and shall glory in the midst of her people. In the congregation of the Most High shall she open her mouth, and triumph before His power.

II. *Wisdom* vii. 7.

WHEREFORE I prayed, and understanding was given me: I called upon God, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. I preferred her before sceptres and thrones, and esteemed riches nothing in comparison of her. Neither compared I unto her any precious stone, because all gold in respect of her is as a little sand, and silver shall be counted as clay before her. I loved her above health and beauty, and chose to have her instead of light: for the light that cometh from her never goeth out. All good things together came to me with her, and innumerable riches in her hands. And I rejoiced in them all, because wisdom goeth before them: and I knew not that she was the mother of them. I learned diligently, and do communicate her liberally: I do not hide her riches.

GRADUAL III.; Alleluia I. *or* TRACT *in Septuagesima, Common of Confessor, page* XV.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* v. 13.

JESUS said to His disciples: Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have

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lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets; I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

OFFERTORY I.; COMMUNION III. *Common of Confessor, page* XVII.

SECRET.

SANCTIFY, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the gifts we offer to Thee: and through the same, (at the intercession of blessed N., Thy Confessor and Doctor,) look down in mercy and reconciliation upon us. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O almighty God, that we rendering Thee thanks and praise for the Gifts we have received, (at the intercession of blessed N., Thy Confessor and Doctor,) may yet obtain still greater benefits. Through.

Of a Confessor and Abbat.

INTROIT. *Os justi.*

THE mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom, and his tongue will be talking of judgement: the law of God is in his heart. *Ps.* xxxvii.

PSALM. Fret not thyself because of the ungodly: neither be thou envious against the evil doers (*v.* 1). Glory. The mouth.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst adorn blessed N., Thy Confessor and Abbat, with the grace of holiness: make us, (for his sake,) so to abound in good works, that we may be counted worthy to obtain from Thee, our highest good, everything that is profitable for us. Through.

LESSON. *Ecclus.* xxxix. 5.

THE righteous man will give his heart to resort early to the Lord that made him, and will pray before the Most High, and will open his mouth in prayer, and make supplication for his sins.

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When the great Lord will, he shall be filled with the spirit of understanding: he shall pour out wise sentences, and give thanks unto the Lord in his prayer. He shall direct his counsel and knowledge, and in His secrets shall he meditate. He shall shew forth that which he hath learned, and shall glory in the law of the covenant of the Lord. Many shall commend his understanding; and so long as the world endureth, it shall not be blotted out; his memorial shall not depart away, and his name shall live from generation to generation.

GRADUAL. The mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom: and his tongue will be talking of judgement. ℣. The law of God is in his heart: and his goings shall not slide.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I have laid help upon one that is mighty: I have exalted one chosen out of the people, alleluia.

TRACT, *page* XVI.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xi. 33.

JESUS said to His disciples: No man, when he hath lighted a candle, putteth it in a secret place, neither under a bushel, but on a candlestick, that they which come in may see the light. The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when thine eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness. Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee, be not darkness. If thy whole body therefore be full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light.

OFFERTORY. Thou hast given him his heart's desire, O Lord: and hast not denied him the request of his lips: Thou shalt set a crown of pure gold upon his head. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that the Sacrifice which we offer on this solemn feast-day of Saint N., Thy Confessor and Abbat, may be acceptable to Thee: and for the sake of his intercession, let the help of his prayers, of Thy gift, increase upon us. Through.

COMMUNION. He is a faithful and wise servant, whom his Lord hath made ruler over His household: to give them their portion of meat in due season. *St. Luke* xii. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE that partake of the holy Mysteries, beseech Thee, O Lord, to stretch forth Thy mercy upon us: so that, what we ask in prayer, (at the intercession of the blessed N., Thy Confessor and Abbat,) we may obtain by a conversa-

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tion well pleasing to Thee. Through.

Of Many Confessors.

INTROIT. *Sacerdotes.*

LET Thy priests, O Lord, be clothed with righteousness: and let Thy Saints sing with joyfulness. *Ps.* cxxxii. 9. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia, alleluia.

PSALM. Lord, remember David: and all his trouble (*v.* 1). Glory. Let Thy priests.

COLLECT.

PROTECT us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, with the guardianship of Thy Confessors N. and N.: that as year by year we observe their feast with devotion, so (at their intercession) we may be delivered from all adversities. Through.

EPISTLE. *Hebrews* vii. 23.

BRETHREN: They truly were many priests, because they were not suffered to continue by reason of death: but this Man, because He continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them. For such an high priest became us, Who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens; Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this He did once, when He offered up Himself, Jesus Christ our Lord.

GRADUAL. Let Thy priests be clothed with righteousness: and let Thy Saints sing with joyfulness. ℣. There shall I make the horn of David to flourish: I have ordained a lantern for Mine Anointed.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The righteous shall shine: and run to and fro like sparks among the stubble for ever, alleluia. *Wisd.* iii.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xii. 35.

JESUS said to His disciples: Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning. And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately. Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily, I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. And this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through. Be ye therefore

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ready also: for the Son of Man cometh at an hour when ye think not.

OFFERTORY. Let the Saints be joyful with glory, let them rejoice in their beds: let the praises of God be in their mouth. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

SECRET.

BE present, O Lord, at the prayers of Thy people, be present at their oblations: that those things which are offered in these holy Mysteries, (at the intercession of Thy Saints), may be pleasing unto Thee. Through.

COMMUNION. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go, and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain. *St. John* xv. 16.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET Thy faithful people, O Lord, be refreshed by the healing of the heavenly Gift: and (at the prayers of Thy Saints and Confessors,) we beseech Thee, that they may be cleansed from all their sins. Through.

Common of a Virgin and Martyr.

I. INTROIT. *Dilexisti.*

THOU hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity: wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* xlv. 8.

PSALM. My heart is inditing of a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made unto the king (*v.* 1). Glory. Thou hast.

II. I will speak of Thy testimonies even before kings, and will not be ashamed: and my delight shall be in Thy commandments, which I have loved. *Ps.* cxix. 46.

PSALM. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. I will speak.

III. THE ungodly laid wait for me to destroy me, but I will consider Thy testimonies, O Lord: I see that all things come to an end, but Thy commandment is exceeding broad. *Ps.* cxix. 95.

PSALM. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. The ungodly.

COLLECT.

GRACIOUSLY hear us, O God of our salvation: that as we do rejoice to keep the feast of blessed N., Thy Virgin and Martyr, so we may be rooted and grounded in the love of godly devotion. Through.

I. LESSON. *Ecclus.* li. 9.

I LIFTED up my supplication from the earth, and prayed for deliverance from death. I called upon the Lord, the Father of my Lord, that He would not leave me in the days of my trouble, and in the time of the proud, when there was no help. I will

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praise Thy Name continually, and will sing praise with thanksgiving; and so my prayer was heard: for Thou savedst me from destruction, and deliveredst me from the evil time: therefore will I give thanks, and praise Thee, and bless Thy Name, O Lord.

II. *Ecclus.* li. 1.

I WILL thank Thee, O Lord and King, and praise Thee, O God my Saviour: I do give praise unto Thy Name: for Thou art my defender and helper, and hast preserved my body from destruction, and from the snare of the slanderous tongue, and from the lips that forge lies, and hast been mine helper against mine adversaries: and hast delivered me, according to the multitude of Thy mercies and greatness of Thy Name, from the teeth of them that were ready to devour me, and out of the hands of such as sought after my life, and from the manifold afflictions which I had; from the choking of fire on every side, and from the midst of the fire which I kindled not; from the depth of the belly of hell, from an unclean tongue, and from lying words. By an accusation to the king from an unrighteous tongue my soul drew near even unto death, my life was near to the hell beneath. They compassed me on every side, and there was no man to help me: I looked for the succour of men, but there was none. Then thought I upon Thy mercy, O Lord, and upon Thy acts of old, how Thou deliverest such as wait for Thee, and savest them out of the hands of the enemies, O Lord my God.

I. GRADUAL. Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity. ℣. Wherefore God, even thy God: hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness.

II. ACCORDING to thy worship and renown: good luck have thou with thine honour, ride on prosperously, and reign. ℣. Because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness: and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.

III. FULL of grace are thy lips: because God hath blessed thee for ever. ℣. Because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness: and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.

IV. HEARKEN, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear: for the king hath pleasure in thy beauty. ℣. According to thy worship and renown: good luck have thou with thine honour, ride on prosperously, and reign.

I. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ, alleluia. 2 *Cor.* xi.

II. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. According to thy worship and

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renown: good luck have thou with thine honour, ride on, alleluia.

III. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Come, My chosen one, and I will set thee upon My throne: so shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty, alleluia.

IV. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. This is the wise virgin: whom the Lord hath found watching, alleluia.

V. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Full of grace are thy lips: because God hath blessed thee for ever, alleluia.

VI. Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I will speak of Thy testimonies even before kings: and will not be ashamed, O Lord, alleluia.

During Septuagesima instead of the Alleluia *and* ℣. *is said,*

TRACT. Full of grace are thy lips: because God hath blessed thee for ever. ℣. According to thy worship and renown: good luck have thou with thine honour, ride on. ℣. Because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness: and thy right hand shallteach thee terrriblethings. ℣. Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear: so shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xiii. 44.

JESUS spake this parable unto His disciples: The kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls; who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind: which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away. So shall it be at the end of the world: the Angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just, and shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Jesus saith unto them: Have ye understood all these things? They say unto Him: Yea, Lord. Then said He unto them: Therefore every scribe which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old.

I. OFFERTORY. The virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company: and shall be brought unto the King. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

II. KING'S daughters were among thy honourable women: upon thy right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours.

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III. THE virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company: and shall be brought unto the King: with joy and gladness shall they be brought, and shall enter into the King's palace.

SECRET.

LOOK favourably, O Lord, upon the Sacrifice of propitiation, which we offer unto Thee: and, (at the intercession of blessed N., Thy Virgin and Martyr,) absolve us from the chains of our sins. Through.

I. COMMUNION. Full of grace are thy lips: because God hath blessed thee for ever. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

II. I deal with the thing that is lawful and right, O Lord, that the proud do me no wrong: I hold straight all Thy commandments, and all false ways I utterly abhor. *Ps.* cxix.

III. THE five wise virgins took oil in their vessels with their lamps: and at midnight there was a cry made: Behold the Bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet Christ the Lord. *St. Matt.* xxv.

IV. THE kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls: who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it. *St. Matt.* xiii.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O MERCIFUL Lord, let this our duty and service be pleasing unto Thee: so that the most holy Mysteries which we have received, (at the intercession of blessed N., Thy Virgin and Martyr,) may both gain the favour of Thy grace for us, and minister to our joy of everlasting happiness. Through.

Of a Virgin not Martyr.

INTROIT of *V. M., page* XXII.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who art the author of all virtue, and lover of virginity: grant us, we beseech Thee; that, for the sake of Saint N., Thy Virgin, who by her life of chastity was well pleasing to Thee, we also may obtain favour in Thy sight. Through.

EPISTLE. 2 *Corinthians* x. 17.

BRETHREN, he that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord. For not he that commendeth himself is approved, but whom the Lord commendeth. Would to God ye could bear with me a little in my folly: and indeed bear with me. For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

GRADUAL I. Alleluia V. *of V. and M., page* XXIII.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxv. 1.

JESUS spake this parable to His disciples: The

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kingdom of heaven shall be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. And at midnight there was a cry made: Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said unto the wise: Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. But the wise answered, saying: Not so; lest there be not enough for us, and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. Afterward came also the other virgins, saying: Lord, Lord, open to us. But he answered, and said: Verily I say unto you. I know you not. Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour.

OFFERTORY I., COMMUNION I. of *V. and M.*, *page* XXIV.

SECRET.

WE offer Thee, O Lord, our prayers and gifts, rejoicing in honour of Saint N., Thy Virgin: grant, we beseech Thee; that we may both fitly perform this service, and obtain everlasting healing. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the Mysteries we have received be profitable unto us, we beseech Thee, O Lord: and, (at the intercession of Thy blessed Virgin N.,) both equally set us free from our sins, and raise us up to the protection of Thy favour and mercy. Through.

Of Many Virgins.

INTROIT. *Vultum tuum.*

THE rich among the people shall make their supplication before thee: the virgins that be her fellows shall be brought unto the King: with joy and gladness shall they be brought unto thee. *Ps.* xlv.

PSALM. My heart is inditing of a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made unto the King (*v.* 1). Glory. The rich.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who, that Thou mightest provoke mankind to the confession of Thy Name, hast bestowed the victory of martyrdom upon the weaker sex: grant, we beseech Thee; that Thy Church, having such example in remembrance, may never fear to suffer for Thy sake, and long for the glory of the heavenly reward. Through.

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EPISTLE. I *Corinthians* vii. 25.

BRETHREN: Now, concerning virgins I have no commandment of the Lord: yet I give my judgement, as one that hath obtained mercy of the Lord to be faithful. I suppose therefore that this is good for the present distress, I say, that it is good for a man so to be. Art thou bound unto a wife? seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed from a wife? seek not a wife. But and if thou marry, thou hast not sinned; and if a virgin marry, she hath not sinned. Nevertheless such shall have trouble in the flesh: but I spare you. But this I say, brethren, the time is short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none; and they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not; and they that use this world, as not abusing it: for the fashion of this world passeth away. But I would have you without carefulness. He that is unmarried careth for the things that belong to the Lord, how he may please the Lord: but he that is married careth for the things that are of the world, how he may please his wife. There is difference also between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman careth for the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

II. *Wisdom* iv. 1.

BETTER it is to have no children, and to have virtue: for the memorial thereof is immortal: because it is known with God and with men. When it is present, men take example at it; and when it is gone, they desire it: it weareth a crown, and triumpheth for ever, having gotten the victory, striving for undefiled rewards. But the multiplying brood of the ungodly shall not thrive, nor take deep rooting from bastard slips, nor lay any fast foundation. For though they flourish in branches for a time; yet standing not fast, they shall be shaken with the wind, and through the force of winds they shall be rooted out. The imperfect branches shall be broken off, their fruit unprofitable, not ripe to eat, yea, meet for nothing. For children begotten of unlawful beds are witnesses of wickedness against their parents in their trial. But though the righteous be prevented with death, yet shall he be in rest.

I. GRADUAL. Let the Saints be joyful with glory: let them rejoice in their beds. ℣. O sing unto the Lord a new song: let the congregation of Saints praise Him. *Ps.* cxlix. 1.

II. GOD is glorious in holiness: fearful in praises, doing wonders. ℣. Thy right hand,

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O Lord, is become glorious in power: Thy right hand, O Lord, hath dashed in pieces the enemy. *Ex.* xv. 11.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The virgins that be her fellows shall be brought unto the King: with joy and gladness shall they be brought unto Thee, alleluia.

GOSPEL. *Same as in the Office before, page* XXV.

OFFERTORY. The virgins that be her fellows shall be brought unto the King: they that bear her company shall be brought unto Thee. *Ps.* xlv.

SECRET.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that we may be continually holpen by the protection of Thy blessed Virgins and Martyrs N. and N.: on whose holy commemoration we offer these gifts to be consecrated to Thy Majesty. Through.

COMMUNION. The five wise virgins took oil in their vessels with their lamps: and at midnight there was a cry made: Behold the Bridegroom cometh: go ye out to meet Christ the Lord.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O almighty God, that we who have partaken of the divine Mysteries, on this solemn feast of Thy holy Virgins and Martyrs, may be counted worthy, (at their intercession,) to lay hold of the remedies of everlasting life. Through.

The Consecration or Dedication of a Church.

INTROIT. *Quam terribilis.*

HOW dreadful is this place; this is none other but the House of God and this is the gate of heaven: and it shall be called the House of God. *In Easter-tide* Alleluia, alleluia. *Gen.* xxviii. 17.

PSALM. The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on His apparel, and girded Himself with strength (xciii. 1). Glory. How dreadful.

¶ *On the Day of Consecration or Dedication, and throughout the Octave.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who art Thyself the Author of all gifts that are dedicated unto Thee, pour forth Thy benediction upon this house of prayer: that all who therein shall call upon Thy Name, may perceive and know the aid of Thy help and protection. Through.

¶ *On the Anniversary of the Dedication of a Church, and throughout the Octave.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who year by year restorest to us the day of the consecration of this Thy holy Temple, and dost suffer us continually to present ourselves in safety at Thy holy Mysteries: hear the prayers of Thy people, and

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grant; that whosoever shall enter this Temple to ask Thy blessing, may rejoice in that he has gained all his petitions. Through.

LESSON. *Revelation* xxi. 2.

I JOHN saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying: Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. And He that sat upon the throne said: Behold, I make all things new.

GRADUAL. My servants will I bring to My holy mountain: and make them joyful in My house of prayer. ℣. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon Mine altar: for Mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people. *Isa.* lvi. 7.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Blessed art Thou in the temple of Thine holy glory: and to be praised and glorified above all for ever, alleluia. *Song of Three Children.* 31. (*P.*)

¶ *During Septuagesima the* Alleluia, *and the* ℣ *following are omitted, and instead there is said:*

TRACT. I was glad when they said unto me: We will go into the house of the Lord. ℣. Our feet shall stand in thy gates: O Jerusalem. ℣. Jerusalem is built as a city: that is at unity in itself. ℣. For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord: to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord. *Ps.* cxxii. (*P.*)

¶ *During Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the house of God: in the voice of praise and thanksgiving, among such as keep holy-day. Alleluia. ℣. Joy and gladness shall be found therein: thanksgiving, and the voice of melody, alleluia. *Ps.* xlii. 4; *Isa.* li. 3.

¶ *Or the second* Alleluia *may be one of those of Easter, page* 457.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xix. 1.

JESUS entered and passed through Jericho. And, behold, there was a man named Zacchæus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich. And he sought to see Jesus, who He was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature. And he ran before, and climbed up into a syca-

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more tree to see Him; for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up, and saw him, and said unto him: Zacchæus, make haste, and come down; for to-day I must abide at thy house. And he made haste, and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying: That He was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner. And Zacchæus stood, and said unto the Lord: Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold. And Jesus said unto him: This day is salvation come to this house, forasmuch as he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. O Lord God, in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy Thy people, which are present here; O Lord God of Israel: keep for ever this imagination of the heart of Thy people. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia. 1 *Chron.* xxix. 17.

¶ *On the Consecration.*

SECRET.

O GOD, Who in all places of Thy dominion art wholly present, and dost work all things of Thyself alone: mercifully receive the Sacrifice which we offer to Thy Name, and be Thou the protector of this house, whereof Thou art the founder; that in the power of the Holy Ghost Thy servants may alway serve Thee here, even with freedom and devotion. Through. . . in the unity of the same.

¶ *On the Dedication.*

GIVE ear, O Lord, we beseech Thee to our prayers: that we whosoever are assembled within the walls of this temple, to celebrate the anniversary feast-day of its dedication, may fully and perfectly please Thee with devotion of both soul and body; that as we pay Thee our vows now here on earth, we may be enabled by Thine aid, to come to Thy everlasting rewards. Through.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 71.

COMMUNION. My house shall be called the house of prayer, saith the Lord: in it everyone that asketh, receiveth; and he that seeketh, findeth; and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened. *St. Matt.* xxi. 13.

¶ *On the Consecration.*

POSTCOMMUNION.

BEING refreshed with Thy healthful Sacraments, we give thanks to Thee, O Lord: and do Thou fill, we beseech Thee, this temple with the glory of Thy Majesty; that in honour of Thy

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Name, it may be to Thy people a house of prayer. Through.

¶ *On the Dedication.*

O GOD, Who hast vouchsafed to call Thy Church Thy Bride, that as she enjoys Thy favour through the devotion of her faith, so she might likewise obtain dignity by reason of Thy Name: grant that all this Thy people who worship Thy Name, may be found worthy to share in that glorious title. Who livest.

¶ *According to Sarum use, the Creed is not said during the Octave, nor upon the Octave Day, except it be Sunday: and if the feast fall in Lent, the first day only shall be observed, and a memorial made on the other days of the Octave.*

The Dedication of an Altar.

¶ *The Mass* Quam terribilis, *as above, with the following Collects, Epistle, and Gospel.* (*P.*)

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast been pleased to ordain that the memorial of Thy death should be celebrated in a perpetual Sacrifice, for the salvation of Thy faithful people: pour the power of Thy blessing upon this Altar, that whosoever shall here be partakers of Thy divine Gift, may feel within themselves Thine aid in this life present, and also in that which is to come. Who livest.

LESSON. 1 *Maccabees* iv. 52.

NOW on the five and twentieth day of the ninth month, which is called the month Casleu, in the hundred forty and eighth year they rose up betimes in the morning, and offered sacrifice according to the law upon the new Altar of burnt offerings, which they had made. Look, at what time and what day the heathen had profaned it, even in that was it dedicated with songs, and citherns, and harps, and cymbals. Then all the people fell upon their faces, worshipping and praising the God of Heaven, Who had given them good success. And so they kept the dedication of the Altar eight days, and offered burnt offerings with gladness, and sacrificed the sacrifice of deliverance and praise. They decked also the forefront of the temple with crowns of gold, and with shields; and the gates and the chambers they renewed, and hanged doors upon them. Thus was there very great gladness among the people, for that the reproach of the heathen was put away. Moreover, Judas and his brethren, with the whole congregation of Israel, ordained, that the days of the dedication of the Altar should kept in their season from year to year by the space of

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eight days, from the five and twentieth day of the month Casleu, with mirth and gladness.

GOSPEL. *St. John* iv. 19.

THE woman of Samaria saith unto Jesus: Sir, I perceive that Thou art a Prophet. Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, That in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship. Jesus saith unto her: Woman, believe Me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. Ye worshfp ye know not what; we know what we worship; for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth; for the Father seeketh such to worship Him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth. *The Creed.*

SECRET.

O LORD our God, we beseech Thee, let the Holy Ghost descend upon this Altar: that He may hallow the Oblations of Thy people, and vouchsafe to purify the hearts of those who receive thereof. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, hallow this Altar dedicated to Thy Name with the might of Thy heavenly benediction, and bestow the gift of Thine aid upon all them that put their trust in Thee: that here the power of Thy Sacrament may work in us mightily, and that here we may receive the fulfilment of our hearty desires. Through.

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Masses

OF COMMEMORATION, OF DEVOTION, FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS, DIVERS OBJECTS AND PERSONS, AND MEANS OF GRACE.

¶ *The Creed and Gloria in Excelsis are not said except where it be otherwise noted.*

Of the Holy Ghost.

¶ *The Mass* Spiritus Domini *as on Whitsun Day, with the following exceptions: During Septuagesima the Introit as on Whitsun Eve, page* 360.

¶ *Out of Easter-tide, the* Alleluias *are omitted from the* INTROIT, OFFERTORY, *and* COMMUNION.

LESSON *as on Tuesday in Whitsun week, page* 367.

GRADUAL. Blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord Jehovah: and blessed are the folk, that He hath chosen to Him to be His inheritance. ℣. By the Word of the Lord were the heavens made: and all the hosts of them by the breath of His mouth. *Ps.* xxxiii. 12.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of Thy faithful: and kindle in them the fire of Thy love, alleluia.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be made: and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth. Alleluia. ℣. Come, Holy Ghost, *as above.*

¶ *From Septuagesima until Easter, the* Alleluias *with the* ℣ *following are left out, and instead is said:*

TRACT. Make me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right Spirit within me. ℣. Cast me not away from Thy presence: and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. ℣. O give me the comfort of Thy help again: and stablish me with Thy free Spirit. *Ps.* li. 10.

The SEQUENCE *is not said.* PROPER PREFACE, *page* 69. *The* CREED *and* GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *are not said.*

GOSPEL. *St. John* xiv. 23.

JESUS answered and said unto Judas: If a man love Me, *as on Whitsun Day, top of page* 364.

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The Passion or Cross of Christ.

*Out of Easter-tide.**

INTROIT. *Mihi absit.*

GOD forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ: by Whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. *Gal.* vi. 14.

PSALM. I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength; the Lord is my stony rock, and my defence: my Saviour, my God, and my might (xviii. 1). Glory. God forbid.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst send Thine Only-begotten Son into the world to be the propitiation for our sins: grant, we beseech Thee; that we who call to mind His Passion, may be set free from the chains of our sins. Through the same. *(P.)*

¶ *During Easter-tide.*

O GOD, Who didst will that Thy Son should endure the gibbet of the Cross for our sakes, that He might drive away from us the power of the enemy: grant unto Thy servants; that we may attain unto the grace of the resurrection. Through the same.

EPISTLE. *Romans* v. 6.

BRETHREN: When we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. *(P.)*

GRADUAL. He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross. ℣. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him: and given Him a Name which is above every name. *Phil.* iv. 8, 9.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Let us look unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith: Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the Cross, despising the shame, alleluia. *Heb.* xii. 2.

¶ *During Septuagesima.*

TRACT. All they that see Me laugh Me to scorn: they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads. ℣. He trusted in God, that He would deliver Him; let Him deliver Him, if He will have Him. ℣. They pierced My hands and My feet: I may tell all My bones: they stand

* This Commemoration of the Passion is said on Fridays.

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staring and looking upon Me. ℣. They part My garments among them: and cast lots upon My vesture. *Ps.* xxii. 7.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xx. 17.

JESUS going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them: Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of Man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn Him to death, and shall deliver Him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify Him: and the third day He shall rise again.

OFFERTORY. Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. *Gal.* iii. 13, 14.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that we may be cleansed from all our iniquities by this Sacrifice, which, when offered on the Altar of the Cross, took away the sins of the whole world. Through the same. *(P.)*

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 68.

COMMUNION. Worthy art Thou, O Lord, to receive power, and riches, and honour, and glory, and blessing, for Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood, alleluia. *Rev.* v. 12. *(P.)*

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD our God, Who dost renew in daily Sacraments, that Sacrifice which Thou didst offer once for all upon the Cross: grant, that as often as we celebrate these Holy Mysteries, we may ever feel within ourselves fresh fruits of Thy Redemption. Who livest. *(P.)*

¶ *During Easter-tide, if Mass is to be said of the Cross or Passion, the Service for the Feast of the Invention of the Holy Cross is used, and Gloria in Excelsis is said.*

Of the Blessed Sacrament.

¶ *The Mass* Cibavit eos *as on Corpus Christi Day (page 377), with the following exceptions.*

¶ *Out of Easter-tide, the* Alleluias *are omitted from the* INTROIT, OFFERTORY, *and* COMMUNION. *The* CREED *and* GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *are not said.*

¶ *The* LESSON *or* EPISTLE, *as below, according to the month.*

¶ *During Septuagesima, the* Alleluias *and* ℣. *are omitted, and instead is said:*

TRACT. From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same, My Name

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shall be great among the Gentiles. ℣. And in every place incense shall be offered unto My Name, and a pure offering: for My Name shall be great among the heathen. ℣. Come, eat of My Bread: and drink of the Wine, which I have mingled. *Mal.* i. 11; *Prov.* ix. 5.

¶ *During Easter-tide the* Gradual *is omitted, and in its place is said:*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The disciples knew the Lord in the breaking of bread. Alleluia. ℣. My Flesh is Meat indeed, and My Blood is Drink indeed; he that eateth My Flesh, and drinketh My Blood, dwelleth in Me, and I in him, alleluia. *St. Luke* xxiv. 35. *St. John* vi. 55, 56.

¶ *The* Sequence *is not said.*

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 69.

¶ *The* GOSPEL *as below, according to the month.*

Epistles and Gospels

*for Commemoration of the Blessed Sacrament.**

JANUARY AND JULY.

LESSON. *Genesis* xiv. 17.

AND the king of Sodom went out to meet Abram after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which is the king's dale. And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God. And he blessed him, and said: Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth: and blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxvi. 26.

AND as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said: Take, eat; this is My Body. And He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: Drink ye all of it; for this is My Blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom.

FEBRUARY AND AUGUST.

LESSON. *Exodus* xii. 1.

AND the Lord spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying: This month shall be unto you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you. Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of

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this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house: and if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year; ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats: and ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening. And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door-post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it. And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it. Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof. And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire. And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the Lord's passover.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xxii. 7.

THEN came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed. And Jesus sent Peter and John, saying: Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat. And they said unto Him: Where wilt Thou that we prepare? And He said unto them: Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in. And ye shall say unto the good-man of the house, The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat the passover with My disciples? And he shall shew you a large upper room furnished; there make ready. And they went, and found as He had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. And when the hour was come He sat down, and the twelve Apostles with Him. And He said unto them: With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: for I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God. And He took the cup, and gave thanks, and said: Take this, and divide it among yourselves. For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come.

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And He took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying: This is My Body, Which is given for you: This do in remembrance of Me. Likewise also the cup after supper, saying: This Cup is the new testament in My Blood, which is shed for you.

MARCH AND SEPTEMBER.

LESSON. *Exodus* xvi. 13.

IN the morning the dew lay round about the host. And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness there lay a small round thing, as small as the hoar frost on the ground. And when the children of Israel saw it, they said one to another: It is manna: for they wist not what it was. And Moses said unto them: This is the bread which the Lord hath given you to eat. This is the thing which the Lord hath commanded, Gather of it every man according to his eating, an omer for every man, according to the number of your persons; take ye every man for them which are in his tents. And the children of Israel did so, and gathered, some more, some less. And when they did mete it with an omer, he that gathered much had nothing over, and he that gathered little had no lack; they gathered every man according to his eating.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 27.

JESUS said unto the Jews: Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of Man shall give unto you: for Him hath God the Father sealed. Then said they unto Him: What shall we do, that we might work the works of God? Jesus answered and said unto them: This is the work of God, that ye believe on Him Whom He hath sent. They said therefore unto Him: What sign shewest Thou then, that we may see, and believe Thee? What dost Thou work? Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat. Then Jesus said unto them: Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but My Father giveth you the true Bread from heaven. For the Bread of God is He Which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world. Then said they unto Him: Lord, evermore give us this Bread. And Jesus said unto them: I am the Bread of life: he that cometh to Me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst.

APRIL AND OCTOBER.

LESSON. *Wisdom* xvi. 20.

THOU feddest, Lord, Thine own people with

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Angels' food, and didst send them from heaven bread prepared without their labour, able to content every man's delight, and agreeing to every taste. For Thy sustenance declared Thy sweetness unto Thy children, and serving to the appetite of the eater, tempered itself to every man's liking. But snow and ice endured the fire, and melted not, that they might know that fire burning in the hail, and sparkling in the rain, did destroy the fruits of the enemies. But this again did even forget his own strength, that the righteous might be nourished. For the creature that serveth Thee, Who art the Maker, increaseth his strength against the unrighteous for their punishment, and abateth his strength for the benefit of such as put their trust in Thee. Therefore even then was it altered into all fashions, and was obedient to Thy grace, that nourisheth all things, according to the desire of them that had need: that Thy children, O Lord, whom Thou lovest, might know, that it is not the growing of fruits that nourisheth man: but that it is Thy Word, which preserveth them that put their trust in Thee. For that which was not destroyed of the fire, being warmed with a little sunbeam, soon melted away: that it might be known, that we must prevent the sun to give Thee thanks, and at the dayspring pray unto Thee.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 41.

THE Jews murmured at Jesus because He said: I am the Bread Which came down from heaven. And they said: Is not this Jesus, the Son of Joseph, Whose father and mother we know? how is it then that He saith, I came down from heaven? Jesus therefore answered and said unto them: Murmur not among yourselves. No man can come to Me, except the Father Which hath sent Me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

MAY AND NOVEMBER.

EPISTLE. 2 *Cor.* vi. 14, vii. 1.

WHAT fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? and what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? and what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and daughters, saith the Lord almighty. Having therefore

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these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 51.

JESUS said unto the Jews: I am the living Bread Which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this Bread, he shall live for ever: and the Bread that I will give is My Flesh, Which I will give for the life of the world. The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying: How can this Man give us His Flesh to eat? Then Jesus said unto them: Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the Flesh of the Son of Man, and drink His Blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth My Flesh, and drinketh My Blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.

JUNE AND DECEMBER.

LESSON. *Proverbs* ix. 1.

WISDOM hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars: she hath killed her beasts; she hath mingled her wine; she hath also furnished her table. she hath sent forth her maidens: she crieth upon the highest places of the city, Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: as for him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him, Come, eat of my bread, and drink of the wine which I have mingled. Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* xiv. 17.

AND in the evening Jesus cometh with the twelve. And as they sat, and did eat, Jesus said: Verily, I say unto you, One of you which eateth with Me shall betray Me. And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto Him one by one: Is it I? and another said, Is it I? And He answered and said unto them: It is one of the twelve that dippeth with Me in the dish. The Son of Man indeed goeth, as it is written of Him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed: good were it for that man if he had never been born. And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said: Take, eat: This is My Body. And He took the Cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them: and they all drank of it. And He said unto them: This is My Blood of the new testament, Which is shed for many. Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God.

Mass of Reparation,

for injuries done to Christ in the most holy Sacrament.

INTROIT. *Quanta malignatus.*

THE enemy hath done evil in Thy Sanctuary, they

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have defiled the dwelling-place of Thy Name, O Lord: how long, O God, shall the enemy blaspheme Thy Name, for ever? *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxiv. 4.

PSALM. O God, wherefore art Thou absent from us so long: why is Thy wrath so hot against the sheep of Thy pasture? (*v.* 1.) Glory. The enemy.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold Thy servants who mourn and lament because of all the abominations that are done in Thy House: and for all the shame that our Lord Jesus Christ doth suffer in the Sacrament of His love; do Thou grant that He may Himself be our propitiation with Thee. Who liveth.

EPISTLE. *Hebrews* x. 22.

BRETHREN: Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for He is faithful That promised;) and let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, but a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the Blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace? For we know Him That hath said, Vengeance belongeth unto Me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge His people. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

GRADUAL. And when they saw the altar profaned: they rent their clothes, and made great lamentation. ℣. And cast ashes upon their heads: and fell down flat to the ground upon their faces, and cried toward heaven. 1 *Macc.* iv. 39, 40.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The zeal of Thine house hath eaten me, O Lord: and the rebukes of them that rebuked Thee are fallen upon me, alleluia. *Ps.* lxix. 9.

¶ *During Septuagesima.*

TRACT. The enemy hath rebuked, O Lord: and the foolish people hath blas-

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phemed Thy Name. ℣. Arise, O God, maintain Thine own cause: remember how the foolish man blasphemeth Thee daily. *Ps.* lxxiv. 19, 23.

¶ *During Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The zeal of Thine house hath eaten me, O Lord: and the rebukes of them that rebuked Thee are fallen upon me. Alleluia. ℣. With blasphemy they have blasphemed Thee, O Lord: so we, that are Thy people, and sheep of Thy pasture, shall give Thee thanks for ever, alleluia. *Ps.* lxix. 9, lxxix. 13.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xxii. 1., *as on the Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, page* 418.

¶ *The Creed is not said except it be an occasion of special solemnity.*

OFFERTORY. Let us draw near to Jesus Christ with a true heart, in full assurance of faith having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience: and let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia. *Heb.* x. 22.

SECRET:

O GOD, who didst hear Thine Only-begotten Son when on the Cross He prayed for transgressors: we beseech Thee that Thou wouldest vouchsafe mercifully to hear us, as we offer Him upon Thine Altar, praying for those who defile His Altar. Through the same.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 69.

COMMUNION. Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy who hath trodden under foot the Son of God: and hath counted the Blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing? *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia. *Heb.* x. 29.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD Jesus Christ, Who burning with zeal for the House of God, didst cast the buyers and sellers out of the Temple: grant unto them that eat of Thy Bread to be kindled with the same zeal; that they may either be melted with grief for those who are guilty of Thy Body, or inflamed with strength to forbid their approach. Who livest.

¶ *The Gloria in Excelsis is not said except in Easter-tide, or on an occasion of special solemnity.*

For any Necessity.

¶ *The Mass* Salus populi, *for any general necessity, may be said once a week, except in Lent, and unless a Feast or Octave-day should occur.*

INTROIT. *Salus populi.*

I AM the salvation of My people, saith the Lord: in whatsoever tribulation they shall call Me, I will hear them, and will be their Lord for ever. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia, alleluia.

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PSALM. Hear My law, O My people: incline your ears unto the words of My mouth (lxxviii. 1). Glory. I am.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who pourest the gift of charity by the grace of the Holy Ghost into the hearts of Thy faithful: grant to Thy servants and handmaids, our brothers and sisters for whom we supplicate Thy mercy, health of body and mind; that they may love Thee with all their might, and do those things which are well-pleasing to Thee with a perfect love. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

LESSON. *Isaiah* xix. 4.

THEN saith the Lord God: In that day shall the present be brought unto the Lord of hosts, and a fierce king shall rule over them. In that day shall there be an altar to the Lord in the midst of the land, and the Lord shall be known, and they shall do sacrifice and oblation; yea, they shall vow a vow unto the Lord, and perform it. And they shall return even to the Lord, and He shall be intreated of them, and shall heal them. In that day shall Israel be ever a blessing in the midst of the land: whom the Lord of hosts shall bless, saying, Blessed be My people and the work of My hands; Israel, Mine inheritance, saith the Lord Almighty.

GRADUAL. Be merciful unto our sins, O Lord: wherefore do the heathen say, where is now their God. ℣. Help us, O God of our salvation: and for the glory of Thy Name, O Lord, deliver us. *Ps.* lxxix. 9.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Shew us Thy mercy, O Lord: and grant us Thy salvation, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxxv. 7.

In Easter-tide the Alleluia *is the same as on the Sunday of the week.*

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* xii. 41.

AT that time, Jesus sitting over against the treasury, beheld how the people cast money into the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much. And there came a certain poor widow, and she threw in two mites, which make a farthing. And He called unto Him His disciples, and saith unto them: Verily I say unto you, That this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury. For all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living.

OFFERTORY. Hear my prayer, O God, and hide not Thyself from my petition: take heed unto me and hear me. *Ps.* lv. 1. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia.

SECRET.

HAVE mercy, O Lord, we beseech Thee, upon Thy servants and handmaids, for whom we offer this Sacri-

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fice of praise unto Thy Majesty: and grant that by these holy Mysteries they may obtain the grace of Thy heavenly blessing, and at length attain to the glory of everlasting happiness. Through.

COMMUNION. Verily, I say unto you, what things soever ye desire. when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. *St. Mark* xi. 24. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE, receiving the divine Mysteries do beseech Thee, O Lord, that this saving Sacrament may profit them to their peace and prosperity, for whom and out of love to whom we have offered the same unto Thy Majesty. Through.

¶ *Gloria in Excelsis is not said, at this or other Masses of Commemoration, on divers occasions, or for special objects, unless it be otherwise directed.*

For the Gift of the Holy Ghost.

INTROIT. *Caritas Dei.*

THE love of God is shed abroad in our hearts, alleluia: by His Spirit which dwelleth in us, alleluia, alleluia. *Romans* v. 5.

PSALM. O Lord God of my salvation: I have cried day and night before Thee (lxxxviii. 1). Glory. The love.

¶ *In Septuagesima, the Introit as on page* 360.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who upon the hearts of them that believe writest with Thy finger the righteousness of Thy law: grant unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and that we may obtain that which Thou dost promise, make us to love that which Thou dost command. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *Corinthians* xiii. 4.

CHARITY suffereth long, *page* 179 *to the end.*

GRADUAL. O Lord our Governour: how excellent is Thy Name in all the world. ℣. Thou hast set Thy glory: above the heavens. *Ps.* viii. 1.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. O Lord God of my salvation: I have cried day and night before Thee, alleluia.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xiii. 33.

JESUS said to His disciples: Little children, yet a little while I am with you. Ye shall seek Me: and as I said unto the Jews, Whither I go, ye cannot come; so now I say to you. A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another. Simon Peter said unto Him: Lord, whither goest Thou? Jesus answered him: Whither I go thou canst

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not follow Me now; but thou shalt follow Me afterwards.

OFFERTORY. Praise the Lord, O my soul: while I live will I praise the Lord: yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God. *Ps.* cxlvi. 1. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia.

SECRET.

SEND forth, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the Spirit of love, which may make these our gifts present to become to us Thy Sacrament: and also purify our hearts for receiving the same. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

PROPER PREFACE, *page* 69.

COMMUNION. Seek ye first the kingdom of God: and all these things shall be added unto you, saith the Lord. *St. Matt.* vi. 33. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION.

POUR into us, O Lord, the Spirit of Thy love: and those whom Thou hast fed with Bread and Wine from heaven, do Thou, of Thy loving-kindness, make to be of one heart and mind. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

For the Church.

* INTROIT. *Respice.*

LOOK down from heaven, O Lord, behold, and visit this vine: and the place of the vineyard that Thy right hand hath planted. *Ps.* lxxx. 14.

PSALM. Hear, O Thou Shepherd of Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep (*v.* 1). Glory. Look down.

COLLECT.

DIRECT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, Thy Church by Thy heavenly governance: that as before the beginning of the world it hath for ever been prepared in Thy presence; so it may come by Thy merciful guiding to the promise of the fulness of Thy glory. Through.

EPISTLE. *Ephesians* iv. 9.

BRETHREN: He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that He might fill all things. And He gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: that we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to

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deceive; but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the Head, even Christ: from whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

GRADUAL. The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts. *Hagg.* ii. 9. ℣. The house of God is the Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. 1 *Tim.* iii. 15.

¶ *If there be a solemn Celebration.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them: and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God, alleluia. *Rev.* xxi. 3.

¶ *During Septuagesima.*

TRACT. O Jerusalem, the holy city, thou shalt shine with light, and all generations shall praise thee with great joy. ℣. Cursed are all they which hate thee: and blessed shall all be which love thee for ever. ℣. Blessed are they which love thee, for they shall rejoice in thy peace. *Tob.* xiii. 9.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Behold, *as above.* ℣. Praise thy God, O Sion: for He hath made fast the bars of thy gates: and hath blessed thy children within thee, alleluia. *Ps.* cxlvii. 12.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xvi. 15.

JESUS said unto His disciples: Whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said: Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him: Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but My Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

OFFERTORY. Christ loved the Church, and gave Himself for it, that He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word; that He might present it to Himself a glorious Church, not having spot or wrinkle. *Eph.* v. 25.

SECRET.

O GOD, Who dost ever sanctify Thy Church

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with that same Sacrifice, whereby Thou didst cleanse it: grant that as it is united to Christ its head, and wholly offered to Thee together with Him, so it may never be defiled by the falling away or wickedness of any of its members. Through the same.

COMMUNION. Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. *St. Matt.* xxviii. 20.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O HOLY Father, keep us through Thine own Name: and grant that Thy Church, being evermore cleansed and nourished by the precious Body and Blood of Thine Only-begotten Son, may valiantly fight for Thee, fervently sigh for Thee, and speedily attain to a perfect consummation and triumph in Thee. Through the same.

Meeting of Convocation or a Synod.

* INTROIT. *Congregate.*

GATHER My saints together unto Me: those that have made a covenant with Me with sacrifice. *Ps.* l. 5.

PSALM. The Lord, even the most mighty God, hath spoken: and called the world, from the rising up of the sun, unto the going down thereof (v. 1). Glory. Gather.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God, pour into Thy servants the Spirit of truth and peace: that they may know with their whole heart those things that are pleasing to Thee, and what they know they may follow with one undivided consent of mind and will. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

LESSON. *Acts* xx. 17.

IN those days: From Miletus Paul sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church. And when they were come to him, he said unto them: Ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons, serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews: and how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house, testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there: save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me. But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I

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might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the Gospel of the grace of God. And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more. Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God. Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the Church of God, which He hath purchased with His own Blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel. Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me. I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all.

GRADUAL. Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. *Phil.* iv. 8. ℣. Be ye like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind: let nothing be done through strife or vainglory. *Phil.* ii. 2.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I am with you, saith the Lord of Hosts: and My Spirit remaineth among you, fear ye not, alleluia. *Hagg.* ii. 4.

The Sequence of the Holy Ghost, page 363.

¶ *During Septuagesima, the* Alleluia ℣. *and Sequence are not said, and instead thereof:*

TRACT. Shew me Thy ways, O Lord: and teach me Thy paths. ℣. Lead me forth in Thy truth, and learn me: for Thou art the God of my salvation. ℣. The secret of the Lord is among them that fear Him: and He will shew them His covenant. *Ps.* xxv. 3.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Be

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perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace: and the God of love and peace shall be with you, alleluia. 2 *Cor.* xiii. 11. ℣. I am with you, *as above. The Sequence is said, page* 363.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xviii. 15.

JESUS said unto His disciples: If thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican. Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth, shall be loosed in heaven. Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father Which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there am I in the midst of them. Then came Peter to Him, and said: Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him: I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. The God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. *Eph.* i. 17.

SECRET.

LET Thy merciful kindness, O Lord, we beseech Thee, look down upon the gifts of Thy servants, and grant them the grace of Thy pity: that those things which be right in Thine eyes they may truly understand, and speak forth with faith and confidence. Through.

COMMUNION. They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the Word of God with boldness: and great grace was upon them all. *Acts* iv. 31.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who hast promised to be in the midst of all them that are gathered together in Thy Name: grant, we beseech Thee, that through these venerated Mysteries, which bear witness to Thy presence among us, Thy grace, mercy, and peace in truth and in love may abound in our hearts. Who livest.

¶ *Gloria in excelsis is said.*

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* INTROIT. *Suscitabo.*

I WILL set up one shepherd over My sheep, and

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he shall feed them: but I the Lord will be their God, and My servant a prince among them. *Ez.* xxxiv. 23.

PSALM. My song shall be alway: of the loving-kindness of the Lord (lxxx. 1). Glory. I will set.

COLLECT.

O LORD, let Thine unbounded goodness grant to Thy Church such a shepherd, who shall please Thee by the uprightness of his conversation, and profit us by his watchfulness and care. Through.

LESSON. *Acts* xiii. 1.

NOW there were in the Church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said: Separate Me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.

GRADUAL. The man whom the Lord doth choose: he shall be holy. *Numb.* xvi. 7. ℣. No man taketh this honour unto himself: but he that is called of God, as was Aaron. *Heb.* v. 4.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Blessed is the man, whom Thou choosest, and receivest unto Thee: he shall dwell in Thy court, alleluia. *Ps.* lxv. 4.

¶ *During Septuagesima.*

TRACT. I have found David My servant: with My holy oil have I anointed him. ℣. The enemy shall not be able to do him violence: the son of wickedness shall not hurt him. ℣. My truth also and My mercy shall be with him: and in My Name shall his horn be exalted. *Ps.* lxxxix. 21.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Blessed is the man, whom Thou choosest, and receivest unto Thee: he shall dwell in Thy court, alleluia. ℣. As My Father hath sent Me: even so send I you, alleluia. *St. John*, xx. 21.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xv. 16.

JESUS said unto His disciples: Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in My Name, He may give it you. These things I command you, that ye love one another. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated Me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore

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the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted Me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept My saying, they will keep your's also. But all these things will they do unto you for My Name's sake, because they know not Him that sent Me. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Let the Lord, the God of the spirits of all flesh, set a man over the congregation, that the people of the Lord be not as sheep which have no shepherd. *Numb.* xxvii. 16.

SECRET.

WE offer Thee, O Lord, the Sacrifice of praise: humbly imploring Thee, that of Thy gift such a ruler may be set over us, as that by his earnest care both the order of the Church as well as the faith of them that believe may gain greater strength. Through.

COMMUNION. Thou, Lord, Which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whom Thou hast chosen. *Acts* i. 24.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, through these sacred Mysteries, a Shepherd after Thine own heart: forasmuch as it is Thine both to call to the ministry, and to make them ready that shall undertake the same. Through.

¶ *Gloria in excelsis is said.*

On the Day itself, and on the Anniversary, of the Installation of an Archbishop or Bishop.

* INTROIT. *Domine Deus.*

O LORD my God, Thy servant is in the midst of Thy people, which Thou hast chosen: give therefore Thy servant an understanding heart, that he may judge Thy people, and discern between good and bad. 1. *Kings* iii. 7.

PSALM. Hear, O Thou Shepherd of Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep (lxxx. 1). Glory. O Lord.

COLLECT.

¶ *To be said by the Archbishop or Bishop himself.*

O GOD, who hast put upon the shoulders of our humility and weakness a burden dreaded even by the very Angelic Spirits themselves: grant us, we beseech Thee, wisdom and ghostly strength; that we may be able, by Thy help, to bear up that weight, for the perfecting of the saints, for the edifying of the body of Christ. Through the same.

¶ *To be said by others for the Archbishop or Bishop.*

O GOD, Who hast put upon the shoulders of Thy

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servant *N.* a burden dreaded even by the very Angelic Spirits themselves: grant him, we beseech Thee, wisdom and ghostly strength; that he may be able, by Thy help, to bear up that weight, for the perfecting of the saints, for the edifying of the body of Christ. Through the same.

LESSON. 1. *St. Timothy* iv. 12.

DEARLY beloved: Be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery. Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all. Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this, thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.

GRADUAL. Give me understanding, O Lord, and I shall keep Thy law: yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart. ℣. My tongue shall sing of Thy word: for all Thy commandments are righteous. *Ps.* cxix. 34.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I will teach Thy ways unto the wicked, O Lord: and sinners shall be converted unto Thee, alleluia. *Ps.* li. 13.

¶ *During Septuagesima.*

TRACT. Make me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me. ℣. Cast me not away from Thy presence: and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. ℣. O give me the comfort of Thy help again: and stablish me with Thy free Spirit. *Ps.* li. 10.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I will teach *as above.* ℣. Whosoever shall do and teach, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven, alleluia. *St. Matt.* v. 19.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xii. 42.

THE Lord said unto Peter: Who, then, is that faithful and wise steward, whom his lord shall make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of meat in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him ruler over all that he hath. But, and if that servant say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken; the lord of that servant will come in a day when he looketh not for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did

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according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes. But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few stripes. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. A high priest is ordained for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins: who can have compassion on the ignorant, and on them that are out of the way; for that he himself also is compassed with infirmity. *Heb.* v. 1.

SECRET.

¶ *To be said by the Archbishop or Bishop himself.*

O ALMIGHTY and merciful God, do Thou relieve and comfort Thy Shepherd, greatly fearing for his own peril, as well as of the flock committed to his charge: and of Thy goodness receive the spotless Host, which encompassed with infirmity I offer Thee for my sins, and the sins of the people. Through.

¶ *To be said by others for him.*

O ALMIGHTY and merciful God, do Thou relieve and comfort Thy Shepherd, greatly fearing for his own peril, as well as of the flock committed to his charge: and of Thy goodness receive the spotless Host, which we humbly offer Thee for the edifying of himself and his people. Through.

COMMUNION. The Lord Himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup: Thou shalt maintain my lot. *Ps.* xviii. 6.

POSTCOMMUNION.

¶ *To be said by the Archbishop or Bishop himself.*

GRANT me, Thy servant, O God, that as the years draw nigh which bring the last day nearer: so I may rise with greater zeal and prudence from this table, to prepare that account, which I shall have to render to the Chief Shepherd, both of myself and of the sheep entrusted to me. Through the same.

¶ *To be said by others for him.*

GRANT Thy servant *N.*, O God, that as the years draw nigh, which bring the last day nearer: so he may rise with greater zeal and prudence from this table, to prepare that account, which he will have to render to the Chief Shepherd both of himself and of the sheep entrusted to him. Through the same.

¶ *Gloria in excelsis is said.*

For Peace.

INTROIT. *As on 18th Sunday after Trinity, page* 414.

COLLECT.

O GOD, from Whom all holy desires, all good

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counsels, and all just works do proceed: give unto Thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey Thy commandments, and also that by Thee, we being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness. Through.

LESSON. 2. *Maccabees* i. 23.

IN those days, The priests made a prayer whilst the sacrifice was consuming for the people of Israel, Jonathan beginning, and the rest answering thereunto: God be gracious unto you, and remember His covenant that He made with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, His faithful servants; and give you all an heart to serve Him, and to do His will, with a good courage and a willing mind; and open your hearts in His law and commandments, and send you peace, and hear your prayers, and be at one with you, and never forsake you in time of trouble.

GRADUAL. I was glad when they said unto me: We will go into the house of the Lord. ℣. Peace be within thy walls: and plenteousness within thy palaces. *Ps.* cxxii. 1.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. He maketh peace in thy borders: and filleth thee with the flour of wheat, alleluia. *Ps.* cxlvii. 14.

GOSPEL. *St. John* xvi. 32.

JESUS said to His disciples: Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered, every man to his own, and shall leave Me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with Me. These things I have spoken unto you, that in Me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

OFFERTORY. Wilt Thou not turn again and quicken us, O God: that Thy people may rejoice in Thee? Shew us Thy mercy, O Lord: and grant us Thy salvation. *Ps.* lxxxv. 6. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

SECRET.

O GOD, Who sufferest not Thy people that believe in Thee to be smitten with any terrors: vouchsafe to accept the prayers and oblations which Thy people offer unto Thee; that peace being granted unto us of Thy loving-kindness, Christian borders may thereby be kept safe from every enemy. Through.

COMMUNION. Verily, I say unto you, what things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and it shall be done unto you. *St. Mark* xi. 24.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who art the author of peace and lover of concord, Whom truly to know is everlasting life, and to serve Whom is to reign: defend us, Thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies: that

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we, surely trusting in Thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries. Through.

¶ *Gloria in excelsis is not said.*

In Time of War.

INTROIT. *As on Ember Wednesday in Lent, page* 196.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who art the Governour of all kingdoms and of all kings, Who dost heal us by smiting us, and preserve us by pardoning us: graciously stretch forth Thy mercy upon us; that peace and quietness being finally established by Thy power, we may use the same for our healing and correction. Through.

LESSON. *Esther* xiii. 8, *as on Wednesday after Reminiscere, page* 209.

GRADUAL *and* Alleluia, *as in the Mass* Salus populi, *page* XLII. TRACT *in Septuagesima, same as in Mass For any Trouble, page* LXIII.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* xi. 23.

JESUS said unto His disciples: Verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also Which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father Which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.

OFFERTORY, *as in Mass for Peace, page* LIV.

SECRET.

BE favourable, O Lord, we beseech Thee, unto Thy people: and as Thou dost imbue them with heavenly mysteries and sacraments, so through these gifts which they devoutly offer Thee, do Thou of Thy mercy defend them from the fury of all their enemies. Through.

COMMUNION. Bow down Thine ear: make haste to deliver us. *Ps.* xxxi. 2.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE being strengthened by the holy refreshment of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, do humbly beseech Thee, O almighty God: that Thou wouldest cleanse us from all stain of sin by this singular gift of grace, and guard us from all dangers and assaults. Through the same.

In Time of Pestilence.

* INTROIT. *Recordare.*

REMEMBER, O Lord, Thy covenant, and say

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to the destroying Angel: Stay now thine hand, that the land be not desolate, and slay not every living soul. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia.

PSALM. Hear, O Thou Shepherd of Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep (lxxx. 1). Glory. Remember.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who wouldest not the death of sinners, but rather that they should repent: mercifully turn, we beseech Thee, Thy people unto Thyself; so that they may remain steadfast and devoted to Thee, and that Thou mayest in Thy mercy turn away from them the scourge of Thy wrath. Through.

LESSON. 2 *Samuel* xxiv. 15.

IN those days, The Lord sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even to the time appointed: and there died of the people from Dan even to Beer-sheba seventy thousand men. And when the Angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the Lord repented Him of the evil, and said to the Angel that destroyed the people: It is enough; stay now thine hand. And the Angel of the Lord was by the threshing-place of Araunah the Jebusite. And David spake unto the Lord when he saw the Angel that smote the people, and said: Lo, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly; but these sheep, what have they done? Let Thine hand, I pray Thee, be against me, and against my father's house. And Gad came that day to David, and said unto him: Go up, rear an altar unto the Lord in the threshing-floor of Araunah the Jebusite. And David, according to the saying of Gad, went up as the Lord commanded.

GRADUAL. The Lord sent His Word, and healed them: and they were saved from their destruction. ℣. O that men would therefore praise the Lord for His goodness: and declare the wonders that He doeth for the children of men. *Ps.* cvii. 20.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I will save My people in the midst of Jerusalem: and I will be their God in truth and in righteousness, alleluia.

¶ *During Septuagesima, the* TRACT *is from the Mass For any Trouble, page* LXIII.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Save me, O God: for the waters are come in even unto my soul. Alleluia. ℣. I will save My people Israel in the evil day: and I will be their God, in truth and in righteousness, alleluia. *Zech.* viii. 8.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* iv. 38.

JESUS arose out of the synagogue, and entered into Simon's house. And Simon's wife's mother was taken with a great fever; and they besought Him for her.

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And He stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it left her: and immediately she arose and ministered unto them. Now, when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto Him; and He laid His hands on every one of them, and healed them. And devils also came out of many, crying out and saying: Thou art Christ the Son of God. And He, rebuking them, suffered them not to speak: for they knew that He was Christ. And when it was day, He departed and went into a desert place: and the people sought Him, and came unto Him, and stayed Him, that He should not depart from them. And He said unto them: I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also: for therefore am I sent. And He preached in the synagogues of Galilee.

OFFERTORY. The high priest stood between the dead and the living, having a golden censer in his hand: and he made an offering of incense, and appeased the anger of the Lord, and the plague was stayed from the house and from the people of Israel. *Numb.* xvi. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the working of this present Sacrifice succour Thy people: that it may of its power set us free from our sins, and all things that terrify us; and keep and defend us from all destruction that may assail us. Through.

COMMUNION. A multitude of diseased, and they that were vexed with unclean spirits, came to Jesus: for there went virtue out of Him, and He healed them all.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, that we whom Thou dost feed, by these divine Mysteries, may obtain an effectual answer to our godly supplications: and favourably turn away the pestilence from us; that the hearts of mortal men may know that when Thou art angry, these scourges do bring profit, and by Thy mercy, they are stayed. Through.

For Travellers.

INTROIT. *Esto mihi.*

BE Thou, O God, my strong rock, and house of defence, that Thou mayest save me: for Thou art my strong rock, and my castle; be Thou also my guide, and lead me for Thy Name's sake. *Ps.* xxxi. 3. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

PSALM. In Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion: deliver me in Thy righteousness (*v.* 1). Glory. Be Thou.

COLLECT.

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our sup-

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plications and prayers, and dispose the way of Thy servants *N.* and *N.* towards the attainment of everlasting salvation: that, among all the changes and chances of this journey, and of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by Thy most gracious and ready help. Through.

LESSON. *Genesis* xxiv. 7.

ABRAHAM spake and said: The Lord God of heaven, Which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and Which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying: Unto thy seed will I give this land; He shall send His Angel before thee.

GRADUAL. Be Thou, O God, my strong rock and house of defence: that Thou mayest save me. ℣. In Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord: He is their helper and defender, alleluia. *Ps.* cxv. 11.

In Easter-tide the second Alleluia *is one of those on page* 457.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* x. 7.

JESUS said to His disciples: As ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give. Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses, nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat. And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, enquire who in it is worthy; and there abide till ye go thence. And when ye come into an house, salute it. And if the house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you. And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet. Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.

OFFERTORY. They that know Thy Name will put their trust in Thee, O Lord: for Thou hast never failed them that seek Thee. O praise the Lord which dwelleth in Sion: for He forgetteth not the complaint of the poor. *Ps.* ix. 10. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia.

SECRET.

BE favourable, O Lord, we beseech Thee, to our supplications, and graciously accept these oblations which we offer for Thy servants: that it may please Thee to direct their way Thy grace going

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before them, and to attend them Thy mercy following them; so that we may rejoice in the safety of the journey they have made, through Thy merciful protection. Through.

COMMUNION. Thou hast charged that we shall diligently keep Thy commandments: O that my ways were made so direct that I might keep Thy statutes. *Ps.* cxix. 4. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the Sacraments of the heavenly Mystery of which we have partaken avail to the prosperity of Thy servants in their journeyings: and bring them in safety to all things that shall minister to their salvation. Through.

¶ *The Itinerary or Office to be said before and during a journey, as well as the Thanksgiving, for a safe ending will be found in the* Day Office of the Church, *page* LXXVI.

For Sinners.

INTROIT. *Si iniquitates.*

IF Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss: O Lord, who may abide it: for there is mercy with Thee, O God of Israel. *Ps.* cxxx. 3.

PSALM. Out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice (*v.* 1). Glory. If Thou.

COLLECT.

HEAR, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the prayers of Thy suppliant people, and spare all those that confess their sins unto Thee: and to us also of Thy mercy grant both pardon and peace. Through.

EPISTLE. *Romans* v. 8.

BRETHREN: While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by His Blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

GRADUAL. Be merciful unto our sins, O Lord: wherefore do the heathen say, where is now their God? ℣. Help us, O God of our salvation: and for the glory of Thy Name, O Lord, deliver us. *Ps.* lxxix. 9.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Shew us Thy mercy, O Lord: and grant us Thy salvation, alleluia. *Ps.* lxxxv. 7.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* v. 27, *the same as on the Vigil of St. Matthew, page* 507.

OFFERTORY. Wilt Thou not turn again and quicken us, O God: that Thy people may rejoice in Thee: shew

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us Thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us Thy salvation. *Ps.* lxxxv. 6. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia.

SECRET.

WE offer unto Thee, O Lord, the sacrifice of reconciliation: entreating Thee, that Thou wouldest pitifully forgive us our sins, and direct our faltering hearts. Through.

COMMUNION. Bow down Thine ear: make haste to deliver us. *Ps.* xxxi. 2. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT us, O eternal Saviour, that as we receive Thy pardon by this gift, so we may henceforth forsake sin. Through.

For Penitents.

INTROIT. *Justus es.*

RIGHTEOUS art Thou, O Lord, and true is Thy judgement: O deal with Thy servant according unto Thy loving mercy. *Ps.* cxix. 137, 124. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia, alleluia.

PSALM. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. Righteous.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, forgive the sins of Thy servant *N.*, who confesseth unto Thee: that the guiltiness of conscience may not avail more to *his* punishment, than Thy mercy and loving-kindness for *his* pardon. Through.

EPISTLE. *Galatians* vi. 1:

BRETHREN: If a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted. Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

GRADUAL. Save Thy servant, O my God: that putteth his trust in Thee. ℣. Give ear, Lord: unto my prayer. *Ps.* lxxxvi. 2.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord: He is their helper and defender, alleluia. *Ps.* cxv. 11.

GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* ix. 10.

AND it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with Him and His disciples. And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto His disciples: Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners? But when Jesus heard that, He said unto them: They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

OFFERTORY. They that

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know Thy Name will put their trust in Thee, O Lord: for Thou hast never failed them that seek Thee. O praise the Lord which dwelleth in Sion: for He forgetteth not the complaint of the poor. *Ps.* ix. 10. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty and merciful God, that this saving Oblation may continually deliver Thy servant *N.* from all *his* guilt, and also defend *him* from all adversity. Through.

COMMUNION. Verily I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. *St. Mark* xi. 24. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O ALMIGHTY and merciful God, Who wouldest rather correct than destroy every soul that repents and confesses: mercifully look upon this Thy servant *N.*; and by these Sacraments which we have received turn from him Thy wrath and indignation, and forgive *him* all *his* sins. Through.

For Grace to die well.

*INTROIT. *Illumina.*

LIGHTEN mine eyes, O Lord, that I sleep not in death: lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him. *Ps.* xiii. 3.

PSALM. How long wilt Thou forget me, O Lord, for ever: how long wilt Thou hide Thy face from me? (v. 1.) Glory. Lighten.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by a healthful providence, hast willed that we should not know the day and hour of our death, because thou wouldest wake us up out of deadly sloth: grant unto us so to watch and pray always, that we may go forth from this world free from stain of sin, and may be counted worthy to rest in the bosom of Thy loving-kindness. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *Thessalonians* v. 1.

OF the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you: for yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are

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drunken in the night. But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.

GRADUAL. Cast me not away, O Lord, in the time of age: forsake me not when my strength faileth me. *Ps.* lxxi. 8. ℣. Let my soul die the death of the righteous: and let my last end be like his. *Numb.* xxiii. 10.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. We will go into His tabernacle: and fall low on our knees before His footstool. Alleluia. *Ps.* cxxxii. 7.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xxi. 34.

JESUS said to His disciples: Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man.

OFFERTORY. Thou art my God, my time is in Thy hand: save me for Thy mercy's sake: let me not be confounded, O Lord, for I have called upon Thee.

SECRET.

O LORD, as Thou hast slain death by the death of Thine Only-begotten Son: so from the unbloody Sacrifice of the same Thy Son, let Thy life flow abundantly into us, that we may thereby be enabled to die with Christ, and so the punishment of sin shall be turned into a sacrifice of repentance. Through the same.

COMMUNION. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me, O Lord. *Ps.* xxiii. 4.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that our souls, which have been nourished with the Body and Blood of Thy Son, may be strengthened in Thy love: that being made obedient unto Thy will even unto death, they may go forth from the body in peace and sure trust, and wait in heaven for the resurrection of the flesh unto everlasting life. Through the same.

For any Trouble or Distress.

* INTROIT. *Ad Te, Domine.*

UNTO Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul; for

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Thou art good and gracious, and of great mercy unto all them that call upon Thee: give ear, Lord, unto my prayer, and ponder the voice of my humble desires. *Ps.* lxxxvi. 4.

PSALM. Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor and in misery (*v.* 1). Glory. Unto Thee.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who art ever pleased with the prayer of the meek and humble: graciously hear us as we pray unto Thee in our misery and trouble, putting our whole trust in Thy mercy. Through.

¶ *After the Collect, Secret, and Postcommunion, the prayers suitable to any special necessity, taken from Divers Collects, may be said.*

EPISTLE. 1 *St. John* v. 13.

DEARLY beloved: These things have I written unto you that believe on the Name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the Name of the Son of God. And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us: and if we know that He hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him.

GRADUAL. Put thou thy trust in the Lord, and be doing good: and verily thou shalt be fed. ℣. Delight thou in the Lord: and He shall give thee thy heart's desire. *Ps.* xxxvii. 3.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. They that know Thy Name will put their trust in Thee: for Thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek Thee, alleluia. *Ps.* ix. 10.

¶ *During Septuagesima.*

TRACT. Hear my prayer, O Lord: and let my crying come unto Thee. ℣. Hide not Thy face from me in the time of my trouble: incline Thine ear unto me. ℣. When I call, O hear me: and that right soon. *Ps.* cii. 1.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. They that know *as above.* ℣. Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Sion: for it is time that Thou have mercy upon her, yea, the time is come, alleluia. *Ps.* cii. 13.

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* xi. 22.

JESUS said to His disciples: Have faith in God. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye

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shall have them. And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.

OFFERTORY. The Lord send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Sion: remember all thy offerings, and accept thy burnt sacrifice. The Lord perform all thy petitions. *Ps.* xx. 2.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that graciously accepting this Oblation, Thou wilt grant unto Thy people, a heart and mind earnestly set to serve Thee; an understanding that they may ask those things that be right; and also Thy mercy and favour, whereby Thou mayest grant them those things which be profitable for them. Through.

COMMUNION. He that spareth not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all: how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? *Rom.* viii. 32.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET Thy favourable lovingkindness, O Lord, be with Thy people that call upon Thee, in the receiving of this heavenly Sacrament: that those things which by Thine inspiration they do faithfully ask for, they may of Thy bountiful mercy speedily obtain. Through.

Thanksgiving.

* INTROIT. *Benedic.*

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Who crowneth thee with mercy and lovingkindness, Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things. *Ps.* ciii. 2.

PSALM. Praise the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me praise His holy Name (*v.* 1). Glory. Praise.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Whose mercies are numberless, and the treasure of Whose goodness is infinite: we render thanks unto Thy most tender Majesty for Thy gifts bestowed upon us: evermore beseeching Thy clemency, that as Thou grantest the prayers of those that seek, Thou wilt not leave the same Thy servants, but dispose them to the attainment of everlasting rewards. Through.

LESSON. *Tobit* xiii. 1.

TOBIT wrote a prayer of rejoicing, and said: Blessed be God that liveth for ever, and blessed be His kingdom. For He doth scourge, and hath mercy: He leadeth down to hell, and bringeth up again: neither is there any

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that can avoid His hand. Confess Him before the Gentiles, ye children of Israel: for He hath scattered us among them. There declare His greatness, and extol Him before all the living: for He is our Lord, and He is the God our Father for ever. And He will scourge us for our iniquities, and will have mercy again. Therefore, see what He will do with you, and confess Him with your whole mouth, and praise the Lord of might, and extol the everlasting King.

GRADUAL. O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God: and I will tell you what He hath done for my soul. ℣. Praised be God Who hath not cast out my prayer: nor turned His mercy from me. *Ps.* lxiv. 14.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord is my strength and my song: and is become my salvation, alleluia. *Ps.* cxviii. 14.

¶ *During Septuagesima.*

TRACT. The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon Him: yea, all such as call upon Him faithfully. ℣. He will fulfil the desire of them that fear Him: He also will hear their cry, and will help them. ℣. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh give thanks unto His holy Name for ever and ever. *Ps.* cxlv. 18.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. The Lord is my strength, and my song: and is become my salvation. Alleluia. ℣. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is gracious: because His mercy endureth for ever, alleluia. *Ps.* cxviii. 14.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xvii. 11.

AS Jesus went to Jerusalem, He passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. And as He entered into a certain village, there met Him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off: and they lifted up their voices, and said: Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. And when He saw them, He said unto them: Go, shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks: and he was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering said: Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. And He said unto him: Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.

OFFERTORY. What reward shall I give unto the Lord, for all the benefits that He hath done unto me? I will offer the Sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the Name of the Lord: I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in

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the sight of all His people. *Ps.* cxvi. 11.

SECRET.

FOR all Thy gifts bestowed upon us we offer Thee, O Lord, the Sacrifice of praise: humbly entreating Thee, that what Thou hast granted us unworthy, we may give to the praise of Thy grace, and the glory of Thy Name. Through.

COMMUNION. I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the Lord: and the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness which He hath bestowed on them according to His mercies. *Is.* lxiii. 7.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Whose mercy not only bestows blessings on the unworthy, but inspires us likewise with the hearty desire of giving Thee thanks: grant us by partaking of this Mystery, that being filled with the gifts of Thy goodness, we may never cease from rendering Thee praises, which we never can fully pay. Through.

In-gathering of the Harvest.

* INTROIT. *Oculi omnium.*

THE eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord, and Thou givest them their meat in due season: Thou openest Thine hand, and fillest all things living with plenteousness. *Ps.* cxlv. 15.

PSALM. I will magnify Thee, O God, my King: and I will praise Thy Name for ever and ever (*v.* 1). Glory. The eyes.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who pourest the gifts of Thy mercy upon us: grant us, we beseech Thee, so to use these temporal aids, that as we hasten to return to our own native country, they may be to us comforts in our journey, and not allurements to stay. Through.

LESSON. *Deuteronomy* xvi. 13.

MOSES said unto the children of Israel: Thou shalt observe the feast of tabernacles seven days, after that thou hast gathered in thy corn and thy wine: and thou shalt rejoice in thy feast, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite, the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that are within thy gates. Seven days shalt thou keep a solemn feast unto the Lord thy God in the place which the Lord shall choose: because the Lord thy God shall bless thee in all thine increase, and in all the works of thine hands, therefore thou shalt surely rejoice.

GRADUAL. Let the people praise Thee, O God, let all the people praise Thee: then shall the earth bring forth her

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increase. ℣. God, even our own God, shall give us His blessing: God shall bless us. *Ps.* lxvii. 5.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. O Lord, how manifold are Thy works, in wisdom hast Thou made them all: the earth is full of Thy riches, alleluia. *Ps.* civ. 24.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xii. 15.

JESUS said unto His disciples: Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth. And He spake a parable unto them, saying: The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: and he thought within himself, saying: What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? And he said: This will I do; I will pull down my barns, and will build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry. But God said unto him: Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee; then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.

OFFERTORY. Our God, we thank Thee, and praise Thy glorious Name: for all things come of Thee, and of Thine own have we given Thee. 1 *Chron.* xxix. 13.

SECRET.

SANCTIFY, O Lord, these gifts which of Thy fruitful earth we bring before Thee with thanksgiving: and as Thou givest unto us the plenteousness of the fruits of the earth, so do Thou make our souls to become fruitful with heavenly increase. Through.

COMMUNION. Ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied: and praise the Name of the Lord, your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you. *Joel* ii. 26.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that as we shew forth our thanksgiving to Thee in this saving Mystery for the fruits of the earth which we have received: so we may, by that same Sacrament working in us, be made worthy to attain unto the greater goods. Through.

¶ *Gloria in excelsis is said.*

At Holy Matrimony.

INTROIT. *Benedicta.*

BLESSED be the Holy Trinity, and the Undivided Unity: we will give thanks to Him, for He hath shewn His mercy upon us. *Tob.* xii. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia, alleluia.

PSALM. Let us bless the

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Father and the Son with the Holy Ghost. Glory. Blessed.

¶ *These two Collects following are said with one* Let us pray *and one full ending.*

COLLECTS.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast given unto us Thy servants grace by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: we beseech Thee, that Thou wouldest keep us stedfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities.

HEAR us, O almighty and merciful God: that what we minister by our office, may be abundantly fulfilled by Thy blessing. Through.

EPISTLE. 1 *Corinthians* vi. 15.

BRETHREN, know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ, and make them the members of an harlot? God forbid. What? Know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith He, shall be one flesh. But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit. Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body. What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

GRADUAL. Blessed art Thou, O Lord, that beholdest the depths, and sittest upon the Cherubim. ℣. O bless the God of heaven: for He hath shewn His mercy upon us.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers: and greatly to be praised for ever, alleluia. *Song of Three Children.*

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GOSPEL. *St. Matthew* xix. 3.

THE Pharisees came unto Jesus, tempting Him, and saying unto Him: Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause? And He answered and said unto them: Have ye not read, that He which made them at the beginning made them male and female, and said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder. *The Creed.*

OFFERTORY. Blessed be God the Father, and the Only-

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begotten Son of God and the Holy Ghost: for He hath shewn His mercy upon us, *Tob.* xii. 6. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia.

¶ *If the Oblation be censed, the blessed incense may not be used for the bride and bridegroom, but some other and unblessed.*

SECRETS.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord God, Holy Trinity, to hallow the offering of this Oblation by the invocation of Thy Holy Name: that thereby we may ourselves be made a perfect gift unto Thee for evermore.

BE present, O Lord, at our supplications, and of Thy favour and loving-kindness accept this Oblation which we offer Thee for Thy servants, whom Thou hast been pleased to bring to man's estate, and the day of their espousal. Through.

PREFACE *of the Holy Trinity, page* 69.

COMMUNION. We bless the God of heaven, and praise Him in the sight of all that live: for He hath shewn His mercy upon us. *Tob.* xii. 6.

POSTCOMMUNIONS.

O LORD our God, let the receiving of this Sacrament both strengthen us in health of body and soul, and also in the confession of the holy and everlasting Trinity and the same Undivided Unity.

WE beseech Thee, almighty God, accompany with Thy love and goodness what Thy providence hath instituted: and keep in length of peace those whom Thou hast lawfully joined together in mutual society. Through.

¶ *Gloria in excelsis is said.*

Thanksgiving after Childbirth.

THE *INTROIT, GRADUAL, *in Easter-tide,* Alleluia, OFFERTORY *and* COMMUNION, *the same as in Mass of Thanksgiving, page* LXIV.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost grant that the sorrow of woman in childbirth shall be turned into joy, when man is born into the world: receive the thanksgiving and the prayers of Thy Church; that as she is the mother both of the child and of its parent, so she may ever rejoice in the stedfastness and good of them both. Through.

LESSON. 1 *Samuel* i. 20.

IT came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name Samuel, saying: Because I have asked him of the Lord. And the man Elkanah, and all his

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house, went up to offer unto the Lord the yearly sacrifice, and his vow. But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband: I will not go up until the child be weaned, and then I will bring him, that he may appear before the Lord, and there abide for ever. And Elkanah her husband said unto her: Do what seemeth thee good; tarry until thou have weaned him; only the Lord establish His word. So the woman abode, and gave her son suck until she weaned him. And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bullocks, and one ephah of flour, and a bottle of wine, and brought him unto the house of the Lord in Shiloh: and the child was young. And they slew a bullock, and brought the child to Eli. And she said: Oh my lord, as thy soul liveth, my lord, I am the woman that stood by thee here, praying unto the Lord. For this child I prayed; and the Lord hath given me my petition which I asked of Him: therefore also I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the Lord. And he worshipped the Lord there. And Hannah prayed, and said: My heart rejoiceth in the Lord, mine horn is exalted in the Lord; because I rejoice in Thy salvation.

¶ *During Septuagesima.*

TRACT. Blessed are all they that fear the Lord: and walk in His ways. ℣. For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands: O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be. ℣. Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine: upon the walls of thine house. ℣. Thy children like the olive-branches: round about thy table. ℣. Lo, thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the Lord. *Ps.* cxxviii. 1.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* ii. 22.

AT that time: When the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought Him to Jerusalem, to present Him to the Lord; as it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord; and to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, a pair of turtle-doves, or two young pigeons. And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him after the custom of the law, then took he Him up in his arms, and blessed

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God, and said: Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word: for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel.

SECRET.

BY the merit of that Oblation, wherein, when the days of the purification of Mary were accomplished, they brought the Child Jesus to present Him to Thee: receive, O Lord, this infant from the womb of his mother, and prevent him with the blessings of goodness; and cleanse the mother of it from all defilement, both of flesh and spirit. Through the same.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE, bearing Him within us, Who is the true Light, and lighteneth every man that cometh into the world, do entreat Thee, O almighty Lord, that as many as have been born of the Spirit, and have received Him, may alway sow in the Spirit, and of the Spirit reap life everlasting. Through the same . . . in the unity of the same.

¶ *Gloria in excelsis is said.*

For the Sick.

INTROIT. *Justus es.*

RIGHTEOUS art Thou, O Lord, and true is Thy judgement: O deal with Thy servant according unto Thy loving mercy. *Ps.* cxix. 137. *In Easter-tide*, Alleluia, alleluia.

PSALM. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord (*v.* 1). Glory. Righteous.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, Maker of mankind, Who dost correct those whom Thou dost love, and chastise every one whom Thou dost receive: we beseech Thee to have mercy upon this Thy servant visited with Thine hand, and to grant that *he* may take *his* sickness patiently, and recover *his* bodily health, if it be Thy gracious will; and whensoever *his* soul shall depart from the body, it may be without spot presented unto Thee. Through.

¶ *Another.*

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, the eternal salvation of them that believe: hear us in behalf of Thy servant *N.*, for whom we implore the aid of Thy mercy; that *his* health may be restored to *him*, so that he may give Thee thanks and praise in Thy holy Church. Through.

EPISTLE. *Hebrews* xii. 5.

MY son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of Him. For whom the Lord loveth He chasten-

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eth; and scourgeth every son whom He receiveth.

¶ *Another.*

St. James v. 13.

MY brethren: Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms. Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the Church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the Name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed.

GRADUAL. Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak: O Lord, heal me. ℣. For all my bones are vexed: my soul also is sore troubled. *Ps.* vi. 2.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. He healeth those that are broken in heart: and giveth medicine to heal their sickness, alleluia. *Ps.* cxlvii. 3.

¶ *During Septuagesima.*

TRACT. Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble: and mine eye is consumed for very heaviness, yea, my soul and my body. ℣. For my life is waxen old with heaviness: and my years with mourning. ℣. My strength faileth me, because of mine iniquity: and my bones are consumed. *Ps.* xxxi. 10.

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GOSPEL. *St. John* v. 24.

VERILY, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth My word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

Another, St. Luke iv. 38, *page* LVI. *to v.* 40, and healed them.

OFFERTORY. Turn Thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul: O save me for Thy mercy's sake. *Ps.* vi. 4. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia.

SECRET.

O GOD, at Whose pleasure the moments of our life come to an end: receive the prayers and offerings of Thy servant *N.*, for whom in *his* sickness we implore the help of Thy mercy; that as we are in fear for *his* danger, we may rejoice for *his* health and safety. Through.

COMMUNION. Deliver me, O God of Israel: out of all my troubles. *Ps.* xxv. 21.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, the only refuge and strength in human weakness, shew the power of Thine help upon our sick: that *he* may be assisted by the aid of Thy mercy, and accounted worthy to be presented in health again to Thy holy Church. Through.

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For the Dying.

INTROIT. *Circumdederunt.*

THE snares of death compassed me round about, and the pains of hell gat hold upon me, I shall find trouble and heaviness, and I will call upon the Name of the Lord: O Lord, I beseech Thee, deliver my soul. *Ps.* cxvi. 3.

PSALM. I am well pleased: that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer (*v.* 1). Glory. The snares.

COLLECT.

MERCIFULLY look down, O Lord, upon Thy servant (*or* handmaid), now labouring under great weakness of body, and comfort the soul which Thou hast created: that at the hour of its departure, it may be presented without spot of sin, by the hands of Thy holy Angels, before Thee, its Creator. Through.

EPISTLE. *Romans* xiv. 7.

BRETHREN: None of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ hath died, and rose, and revived, that He might be Lord both of the dead and living. But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to God. So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

GRADUAL. Withdraw Thine hand far from me: and let not Thy dread make me afraid. *Job* xiii. 21. ℣. Thou hast been my succour: leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I will behold Thy presence in righteousnesss, O Lord: and when I awake up after Thy likeness I shall be satisfied with it, alleluia. *Ps.* xvii. 16.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xxii. 39.

AT that time: Jesus came out, and went, as He was wont, to the Mount of Olives; and His disciples also followed Him. And when He was at the place, He said unto them: Pray that ye enter not into temptation. And He was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed, saying: Father, if Thou be willing, remove this cup from Me: nevertheless not My will, but Thine, be done. And there appeared an Angel unto Him from heaven, strengthening Him. And being in an agony

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He prayed more earnestly: and His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

OFFERTORY. O My Father, if this cup may not pass away from Me, except I drink it, Thy will be done. *St. Matt.* xxvi. 42.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, this oblation which we offer unto Thee for Thy servant (*or* handmaid), whose life draweth near to its end: that *he* may know Thee as the fountain of all mercy, and for the sake of this Sacrifice *he* may be saved. Through.

COMMUNION. Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. *Acts* vii. 59.

POSTCOMMUNION.

COME, O almighty God, by the power of this Sacrifice, to Thy servant (*or* handmaid), who is at the point of death: that the power of the Enemy may not prevail against *him*; but that *he* may, by Thy help, come to life everlasting. Through.

For the Dead.

On the day of burial.

INTROIT, *as on All Souls' day, page* 524.

COLLECT.

According to Sarum Use, five Collects are said, when the body is present, viz.: 1, 4, 5, 6, 20, page LXXX. *Upon anniversaries, there are five Collects said, viz.: 3, 4, 5, 6, 20. According to Roman Use, one Collect is said, varying according to the condition of the departed. The Secrets and Postcommunions are ruled after the same manner.*

¶ *A Collect which may be said daily before the day of burial.*

O GOD, Whose nature and property is always to have mercy and to forgive, we humbly pray Thee for the soul of Thy servant *N.*, which Thou hast commanded this day to pass out of this world: deliver *him* not into the hands of the Enemy, neither forget *him* in the end, but give Thine holy Angels charge to receive *him*, and to bring *him* into the land of the living; and forasmuch as *he* put *his* trust and confidence in Thee, grant that *he* may be counted worthy to rejoice in the fellowship of Thy Saints. Through.

¶ *Or this:*

O MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who is the resurrection and the life; in Whom whosoever believeth shall live, though he die; and whosoever liveth, and believeth in Him, shall not die eternally: Who also hath taught us by His holy Apostle Saint Paul, not to be sorry, as men without hope, for them that sleep in Him: we meekly beseech Thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin

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we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to God. So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

GRADUAL. Withdraw Thine hand far from me: and let not Thy dread make me afraid. *Job* xiii. 21. ℣. Thou hast been my succour: leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. I will behold Thy presence in righteousnesss, O Lord: and when I awake up after Thy likeness I shall be satisfied with it, alleluia. *Ps.* xvii. 16.

GOSPEL. *St. Luke* xxii. 39.

AT that time: Jesus came out, and went, as He was wont, to the Mount of Olives; and His disciples also followed Him. And when He was at the place, He said unto them: Pray that ye enter not into temptation. And He was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed, saying: Father, if Thou be willing, remove this cup from Me: nevertheless not My will, but Thine, be done. And there appeared an Angel unto Him from heaven, strengthening Him. And being in an agony

* From the Paris Use.

presence of my God? ℣. My tears have been my meat day and night: while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God? *Ps.* xlii. 1.

¶ *At all anniversaries.*

TRACT, *as on All Souls' day, page* 524. *The Sequence page* 525, *is said ad lib.*

¶ *The following Gospel is read, when the body is present, at burials of Bishops, on anniversaries; and at commemorations of the departed on Monday.*

GOSPEL, *as on All Souls' day, page* 525.

Tuesday.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 37.

JESUS said unto His disciples and to the Jews: All that the Father giveth Me shall come to Me; and him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out. For I came down from heaven, not to do Mine own will, but the will of Him that sent Me. And this is the Father's will which hath sent Me, that of all which He hath given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of Him that sent Me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on Him, may have everlasting life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

Wednesday.

GOSPEL. *St. John* v. 24.

JESUS said unto His disciples and to the Jews: Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth My word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. For as the Father hath life in Himself; so hath He given to the Son to have life in Himself; and hath given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man. Marvel not at this; for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

Thursday.

GOSPEL. *St. John* v. 21.

JESUS said unto His disciples and to the Jews: As the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth them; even so the Son quickeneth whom He will. For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son: that all men should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father Which hath sent Him. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth My word, and be-

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lieveth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

Friday.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 51.

JESUS said unto His disciples and to the Jews: I am the living Bread Which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this Bread, he shall live for ever: and the Bread that I will give is My Flesh, which I will give for the life of the world. The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying: How can this Man give us His Flesh to eat? Then Jesus said unto them: Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the Flesh of the Son of Man, and drink His Blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth My Flesh, and drinketh My Blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.

Saturday.

GOSPEL. *St. John* vi. 53.

JESUS said unto His disciples and to the Jews: Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the Flesh of the Son of Man, and drink His Blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth My Flesh, and drinketh My Blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.

OFFERTORY. O Lord Jesu Christ, King of Glory, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed from the pains of hell, and from the bottomless pit: deliver them from the lion's mouth, that hell swallow them not up, that they fall not into the thick darkness: but let Saint Michael, the standard-bearer, bring them into the holy light: which Thou promisedst of old to Abraham, and his seed. ℣. We offer Thee, O Lord, our Sacrifice of praise and prayers: accept them in behalf of the souls we commemorate this day: and grant that they may pass from death into life. Which Thou promisedst of old to Abraham and his seed.

¶ *Another.*

O LORD the king Almighty, the God of Abraham, have mercy upon Thy people: despise not Thy portion, which Thou hast redeemed for Thine own self, and be merciful unto Thine inheritance: turn our sorrow into joy, that we may live, O Lord, and praise Thy Name. *Esth.* xiii. 16. (*P.*)

¶ *Before the day of burial.*

SECRET.

RECEIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, merciful Father, the oblation which we offer Thee for the soul of Thy servant *N.*, which Thou hast set free this day from the corruption of the flesh: and grant, that hereby he may be healed, and absolved from all the sins and excesses of his human state; and in everlast-

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ing rest await the day of resurrection. Through.

¶ *When the body is present.*

COMMUNION. *The same as on All Souls' day, page* 526.

¶ *On all other occasions and anniversaries.*

LET perpetual light shine upon them, O Lord: with Thy Saints for ever, for Thou art merciful. ℣. Eternal rest grant them, O Lord: and let perpetual light shine upon them. With Thy Saints for ever: for Thou art merciful.

¶ *Another.*

TURN thee unto thy rest, O my soul, for the Lord hath rewarded thee: I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living. *Ps.* cxvi. 7. *(P.)*

¶ *Before the day of burial.*

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that Thou mayest make the soul of Thy servant *N.*, to be received by the Angels of light, and carried to the habitations prepared for the blessed. Through.

At the Burial of a Child.

* INTROIT. *Venite, benedicti.*

COME, ye blessed of My Father: inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. *In Easter-tide,* Alleluia, alleluia. *St. Matt.* xxv. 34.

PSALM. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is gracious: and His mercy endureth for ever (cxxxvi 1). Glory. Come ye.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and most pitiful God, Who of Thy bounty givest without delay eternal life to all children who are regenerate in the waters of Baptism, when they pass out of this world: make us, we beseech Thee; (by the intercession of Blessed Mary ever Virgin, and of all Thine elect,) so to serve Thee here below with purity of heart and mind, that we may be for ever united in fellowship with Thy blessed children in heaven. Through.

EPISTLE. *Romans* xi. 33.

O THE depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out! For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been His counsellor? or who hath first given to Him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again? For of Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things: to Whom be glory for ever. Amen.

GRADUAL. Not by works of righteousness which we have done: but according to His mercy God saved us, by the washing of regeneration. *St. Titus* iii. 5. ℣. O Lord, how glorious are Thy works:

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Thy thoughts are very deep. *Ps.* xcii. 5.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Rejoice, O Jerusalem, for the children of the just: for they shall be gathered together, and shall bless the Lord of the just, alleluia. *Tob.* xiii. 13.

SEQUENCE.

Weep not at our pomp funereal, holy rites we celebrate,
For this death true life hath given, opened is the heavenly gate,
And no thought of endless night
Need our shrinking souls affright.

He who now hath gained salvation willed not that which *he* hath won;
For the rich reward *he* shareth *he* no weary race hath run;
God's own grace and mercy free
Granteth *him* felicity.

Yea, eternal gifts are given, though *his* course in time was short;
Yea, *he* wears the crown of justice, though *he* ne'er in conflict fought;
God, His purpose to fulfil,
Quickly took *him* hence from ill.

Shall we lift our intercessions, O thou blissful soul, for thee?
Shall we make for thee petition? nay, but rather pray that we
May from Christ our God obtain
Freedom from our guilty stain.

Christ, our only God and Saviour, unto us Thy mercy show;
Pity us, who, very weary, long to quit this vale below;
Give us, of Thine own free grace,
With Thy little ones a place.
Amen.

¶ *During Septuagesima.*

TRACT. Our soul is escaped even as a bird: out of the snare of the fowler. ℣. The snare is broken: and we are delivered. ℣. Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord: Who hath made heaven and earth. *Ps.* cxxiv. 6.

¶ *In Easter-tide.*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Rejoice, O Jerusalem, for the children of the just: for they shall be gathered together, and shall bless the Lord of the just, alleluia. ℣. Praise the Lord, ye servants: O praise the Name of the Lord, alleluia. *Ps.* cxiii. 1.

¶ *The Sequence may be said as above.*

GOSPEL. *St. Mark* x. 13.

THEY brought young children to Jesus, that He should touch them: and His disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was much displeased, and said unto them: Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child,

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he shall not enter therein. And He took them up in His arms, put His hands upon them, and blessed them. *The Creed is said, according to Paris Use.*

OFFERTORY. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb, and in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God, alleluia. *Rev.* xiv. 4.

SECRET.

O GOD, Who hast mercy upon whom Thou wilt have mercy, receive of Thy loving-kindness the Sacrifice which we offer unto Thee: for with it we both celebrate the speedy victory gained without fight by this child called according to Thy good purpose, and also pray for Thy continual help in our peril and strife. Through.

COMMUNION. They leaped like lambs, praising Thee, O Lord, Who hadst delivered them, alleluia. *Wisd.* xix. 9.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who hast made haste to lead out the soul of this infant well pleasing to Thee: grant to them that are absent from Thee, and who are still walking by faith; that being enlightened with the heavenly food with which we are fed, we may never be altered by the wickedness of this world, nor beguiled by its deceit. Through.

¶ *The Gloria in excelsis is said.*

Collects for the Departed.

1. On the day of burial.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, we humbly beseech Thy mercy, that Thou wouldest command that the soul of Thy servant, for whose body we do now pay the duty and service of burial, be laid in the bosom of Thy patriarch Abraham: so that when the day of the knowing of Thy servants shall come, Thou mayest receive him into the number of Thy Saints and elect. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, O Lord, for the soul of Thy servant the Sacrifice which Thou didst graciously offer for us to God the Father: and because for the sake of us men Thou didst come down from heaven; when Thou shalt come again, let him be counted worthy to be joined to the fellowship of Thy Saints. Through Thee, O Saviour of the world, Who with God the Father and the Holy Ghost.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that the soul of Thy servant, for whose body we this day perform the duties of humanity, being cleansed by this Sacrifice, may evermore rejoice in the gift of Thy salvation. Through.

2. On the thirtieth day.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Whose property is always to have mercy

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and to forgive: be favourable unto the soul of Thy servant, and forgive all *his* sins, that *he* being loosed from the chains of death, may be found meet to pass through unto life. Through.

SECRET.

LOOK down, we beseech Thee, almighty and eternal God, and vouchsafe favourably to receive this Sacrifice which we offer Thee for the soul of Thy servant: and grant *him* perpetual peace and everlasting rest. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the celebration of the divine Sacrament be profitable to the soul of Thy servant: that of Thy mercy, *he* may have eternal fellowship with Him in Whom *he* set *his* hope and trust. Who liveth.

3. On anniversaries.

COLLECT.

O GOD, the Lord of pardon, grant unto the soul of Thy servant, the year's mind of whose burial we have in remembrance, a place of refreshing, bliss of rest, and clearness of light. Through.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, favourably to hear our supplications for the soul of Thy servant, whose anniversary we celebrate to-day: in behalf of whom we offer Thee the Sacrifice of praise, that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to admit *him* into the number and fellowship of Thy Saints. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that the soul of Thy servant, the anniversary of whose burial we keep, may be cleansed by this Sacrifice, and likewise obtain pardon and everlasting rest. Through.

4. For Bishops.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who among priests apostolic hast made Thy servants to be accounted worthy of the episcopal dignity: grant, we beseech Thee, that they may rejoice in the continual fellowship in heaven of them whose office they bore for awhile on earth. Through.

SECRET.

WE offer Thee, O Lord, our oblation and service for the souls of Thy servants the Bishops: beseeching Thee that they may obtain to have a portion of everlasting blessedness with the Apostolic prelates whose dignity and office they fulfilled on earth. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the celebration of the divine Mysteries be profitable to the souls of Thy servants the Bishops: that those whom while set on earth Thou didst make to be dispensers of this Gift, Thou

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wouldest bid to be numbered among Thine elect overseers. Through.

5. *For brothers and sisters.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, the giver of pardon and author of man's salvation, we beseech Thy mercy, that Thou wouldest grant the brethren and sisters of our congregations who have passed away from this world, (at the intercession of blessed Mary ever Virgin and blessed Michael the Archangel and all the Saints,) to come to the fellowship of everlasting blessedness. Through.

SECRET.

O GOD, Whose mercies are numberless, favourably receive the prayers which we offer Thee in our humility: and grant unto the souls of the brethren and sisters of our congregations, to whom Thou didst give to confess Thy Name, the remission of all their sins through this Sacrament of our salvation. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty and merciful God, that the souls of the brethren and sisters of our congregations for whom we have offered unto Thy Majesty this Sacrifice of praise, being cleansed from all their sins by the virtue of this same Sacrament, may, of Thy mercy, receive the blessedness of perpetual light. Through.

6. *For benefactors.*

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and merciful God, the only Salvation of mankind: we humbly implore Thee for the souls of Thy servants and handmaids, our parents and benefactors; that (at the intercession of Mary the blessed Mother of God, and all Thy Saints,) Thou wouldest vouchsafe of Thy bounty to grant them pardon of their sins, and at the last day the joy of a blessed resurrection. Through the same.

SECRET.

HALLOW, we beseech Thee, O Lord, these quickening Sacraments of all Thy faithful, and through them, (at the intercession of blessed Mary Mother of God and all Thy Saints,) grant that this itself may help the souls of Thy servants and handmaids, our parents and benefactors, so that being cleansed from all sin they may be refreshed with the Food of everlasting life. Through the same.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the saving Sacrament with which we have been fed quicken us: and, (at the prayer of blessed Mary and all Thy Saints,) grant this very one may help the souls of Thy servants and handmaids, our parents and benefactors, unto the attainment of Thy grace and par-

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don, and the receiving of the everlasting glory of a future resurrection. Through the same.

7. *For an Abbat.*

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that the soul of Thy servant and Abbat, whom while he abode in this world Thou didst adorn with sacred gifts, may ever rejoice in a glorious seat in heaven. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the sacrifice which we humbly offer Thee for the soul of Thy servant and Abbat: beseeching Thy mercy, that as Thou didst put upon him the priestly office, so Thou wilt also grant him the reward. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that by these holy Mysteries, the soul of Thy servant and Abbat, who faithfully ministered unto Thee, may remain pure in Thy sight. Through.

8. *For a Priest.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Whose mercies are without number, receive our prayers in behalf of the soul of Thy servant and priest, and grant him a place of light and joy in the society of Thy Saints. Through.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that Thou wouldest favourably receive the oblation which we offer Thee for the soul of Thy servant and priest: and as Thou didst grant him to serve at Thy altars, so bid him to come to the fellowship of Thy priests in bliss. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, by these holy Mysteries, to the soul of Thy servant and priest the fellowship of eternal happiness, whom Thou didst permit to follow the ministration of Thy holy altar. Through.

9. *For a Father and Mother.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who hast commanded us to honour our father and mother, graciously have mercy upon the souls of my father and mother, forgive them their sins, and cause me to behold them in the joy of eternal brightness. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, O Lord, this Sacrifice which is offered to Thee for the souls of my father and mother, and grant them everlasting joy in the land of the living, and join me with them in the happiness of the Saints. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, let the partaking of the heavenly Sacra-

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ment obtain for the souls of my father and mother perpetual rest and light, and let Thy grace bestow on me together with them the eternal crown. Through.

10. For anyone deceased.

COLLECT.

O GOD, to Whom alone it pertains to bestow healing after death: grant, we beseech Thee, that the soul of Thy servant being cleansed from all his sins, he may be gathered into the company of Thine elect. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, O Lord, we beseech Thee, this Oblation which we offer Thee for the soul of Thy servant, that Thou mayest grant him eternal rest amidst Thy Saints and elect, and so he may enjoy their fellowship and eternal life. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET our prayers, O Lord, come up to Thee, and through these Holy Things which we have taken let the soul of Thy servant receive eternal joy: and as Thou didst make him a partaker of Thine adoption, so do Thou bid him be a sharer of Thine inheritance. Through.

11. For a friend departed.

COLLECT.

HELP us, O God of our salvation, and (being entreated by the prayers of Mary the most blessed Mother of God and ever Virgin,) grant the soul of Thy servant a place in everlasting light and bliss. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the Sacrifice of propitiation and praise which we offer to be consecrated to Thy Name, (in commemoration of Mary the blessed Mother of God,) and in behalf of Thy servant for whose rest we humbly implore Thee. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET our prayers, O Lord, come up before Thee, and let the soul of Thy servant possess eternal joy: and as Thou didst make him a partaker of Thine adoption, (at the intercession of Mary the blessed Mother of God,) do Thou bid him be a sharer of Thine inheritance. Through.

12. For one deceased by sudden death.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and merciful God, in Whose power is the estate of man: absolve, we beseech Thee, the soul of Thy servant from all his sins, that although he has been overtaken by death, yet he may not lose the fruits of repentance which by his will he desired. Through.

SECRET.

LET the oblation of this present Sacrifice be a satisfaction to Thee, O Lord,

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for the soul of Thy servant, and may he find the pardon for his sins which he sought: and what he could not fulfil with the voice of his word, let him, of Thy bounty, receive that fruit of repentance which he desired. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, by Whom all good things are put into the hearts of men: grant by these Holy Things which we have taken, that as Thou didst grant to the soul of Thy servant to wish for repentance, so Thou wouldest now of Thy mercy give him the pardon that he longed for. Through.

13. For male kinsfolk.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, to Whom we never pray without the hope of mercy: favourably regard the souls of Thy servants; that those who have departed this life in the confession of Thy Name, Thou wouldest make to be gathered together among the number of Thy Saints. Through.

SECRET.

FAVOURABLY regard, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the souls of Thy servants for whom we offer Thee the Sacrifice of reconciliation: and forasmuch as in the light of this present life they abode in the catholic faith, so in that which is to come let Thy most merciful recompense be awarded them. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET this Communion, O Lord, cleanse us from all guilt, and bestow upon the souls of Thy servants the fellowship of heavenly joy: that before the Judgement-seat of the glory of Thy Christ they may be set apart with them on the right hand, and have nothing in common with those on the left. Through the same.

14. For female kinsfolk.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, according to Thy great goodness have mercy upon the souls of Thine handmaids: and as they are now set free from contact with mortal flesh, restore them to the portion of eternal salvation. Through.

SECRET.

LET the souls of Thine handmaids, O Lord, be delivered from all their sins by this Sacrifice, without which none can be set free from guilt: and grant, that by this service of atonement they may obtain perpetual mercy. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, let the souls of Thine handmaids find the fellowship of eternal light, the Sacrament of which perpetual mercy they while on earth received. Through.

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15. For a woman departed.

COLLECT.

WE humbly beseech Thy Majesty, O Lord, that the soul of Thine handmaid being delivered from all deeds done in her human life, may be accounted among the lot of Thy righteous. Through.

SECRET.

WE bring our Sacrifice before Thee, O Lord, with humble supplication, beseeching Thy Majesty that the soul of Thine handmaid by this holy service of reconciliation may be accounted worthy to come to everlasting rest. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to the soul of Thine handmaid everlasting mercy: that being set free from the bonds of the flesh eternal light may possess her. Through.

16. Thirty days' prayer.

COLLECT.

INCLINE Thine ear, O Lord, to our prayers, wherein we humbly supplicate Thy mercy: that Thou wouldest place the souls of Thy servants and handmaids, whom Thou hast commanded to pass out of this world, in the land of peace and light, and bid them be partakers with Thy Saints. Through.

SECRET.

LET this Oblation, we beseech Thee, O Lord, absolve the souls of Thy servants and handmaids from all the evils of this mortal state: which even when it was offered, bare the sin of the whole world. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

VOUCHSAFE unto us, O Lord, by this Sacrament which we have received, that the souls of Thy servants and handmaids may receive that remission of their sins, which they alway desired. Through.

17. For benefactors.

COLLECT.

HAVE mercy, O Lord, we beseech Thee, upon the souls of all our departed benefactors: and for those benefits which they bountifully bestowed upon us on earth, let them obtain eternal rewards in heaven. Through.

SECRET.

O LORD, let the offering of this present Sacrifice be pleasing unto Thee, for our salvation, and the salvation of all our benefactors: whose memory we call to mind with special affection, and graciously have mercy upon all Christians both quick and dead. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET, O Lord, the Sacraments we have taken absolve us from the chains of sin, and obtain for the souls of all our departed benefactors a fellowship with the spirits of the blessed. Through.

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18. For those at rest in a Cemetery.

COLLECT.

O GOD, by Whose mercy the souls of the faithful are at rest: to the souls of all Thy servants and handmaids, who here and everywhere are at rest in Christ, favourably grant pardon of their sins, so that being set free from all their guilt, they may rejoice with Thee for ever. Through.

SECRET.

O LORD, of Thy gracious goodness receive the Sacrifice which we offer for the souls of all Thy servants and handmaids, here and everywhere resting in Christ: that being delivered by this one and only Sacrifice from the dreadful chains of death they may find eternal life. Through the same.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, the light of faithful souls, be present graciously with us who call upon Thee, and grant to Thy servants and handmaids, whose bodies here and everywhere rest in Christ, a place of refreshment, the blessing of rest, and the bright clearness of light. Through the same.

19. For whom we are bound to pray.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord our God, that the souls of Thy servants and handmaids, whose commemoration we keep with special devotion, and for whom we are bidden and are bound to pray, and the souls of all our benefactors and all our kinsfolk and acquaintance, and of all the faithful, may rest in the bosom of Thy Saints, and being presently raised from the dead may please Thee in the land of all the living. Through.

SECRET.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that these Gifts, which we offer before the eyes of Thy Majesty, may be salvation to the souls of Thy servants and handmaids, the commemoration of whom we keep with special devotion, and for whom we are bidden and are justly bound to pray, and to the souls of all our benefactors, as well as of our relations and friends, and of all the faithful: that of Thy loving-kindness being set free from the chains of dreaded death, they may be counted worthy to be partakers of everlasting blessedness. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who of Thine inestimable mercy dost make the souls of men to pass from trouble to rest: favourably regard our supplications for the souls of Thy servants and handmaids, whose commemoration we keep with special devotion, and for whom we are bidden and

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bound to pray, and for the souls of all our benefactors, as well as our relations and friends, and of all the faithful; that Thou wouldest restore them to a place in paradise, and count them among the lot of Thy righteous. Through.

20. For all the faithful departed.

COLLECT.

O GOD, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant to the souls of all the faithful departed remission of all their sins: that through devout supplications they may obtain Thy gracious pardon, which they have alway desired. Who livest.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, favourably to behold the Sacrifice which we offer unto Thee, for the souls of all the faithful departed: and as Thou didst suffer them to profess the Christian faith, so now give unto them the rewards thereof. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET the prayer of Thy people, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that call upon Thee, be profitable unto the souls of all the faithful departed: that Thou mayest set them free from all their sins, and make them partakers of Thy redemption. Through.

Divers Collects.

21. For the Prayers of the Saints.

¶ *The following Collects may be said at the discretion of the priest, together with those appointed for the Service, when the feast is not a double.*

In the following Collect and Postcommunion the name of the Patron Saint of the church or chapel wherein Mass is celebrated is to be inserted at the letter N: if an Angel or St. John Baptist is to be named, his name shall precede those of the Apostles.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to defend us from all dangers both of body and soul: and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious Ever-Virgin Mary Mother of God, of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, (and of blessed *N.*) and of all Thy Saints, graciously bestow upon us peace and safety, that all adversities and errors being driven away, Thy Church may safely serve Thee in all freedom. Through the same. (*P.*)

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SECRET.

LET the prayers of all Thy Saints, O Lord, commend our Oblation unto Thee: and as we commemorate them at these Holy Mysteries, let us be holpen by their intercessions with Thee. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that the offering of this Holy Mystery may both cleanse and defend us: and at the intercession of the blessed Virgin Mary Mother of God, of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, (and of blessed *N.*) and of all Thy Saints, may it make atonement for all our transgressions, and set us free from all adversities. Through the same. (*P.*)

22. Of all Saints.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that the intercession of Mary the holy Mother of God, and all the holy heavenly powers, and of the blessed patriarchs, prophets, apostles, evangelists, martyrs, confessors, and virgins, and all Thine elect may everywhere gladden us: and as we call their good deeds to mind, may we perceive and feel the help of their prayers. Through the same.

SECRET.

FAVOURABLY receive, O Lord, the Gifts which we offer before Thee: and, at the intercession of the blessed and glorious and Ever-Virgin Mary Mother of God, and all Thy Saints, defend us from all perils and dangers. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE have received, O Lord, Thy heavenly Sacraments, reverencing the memory of the blessed Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary and all Thy Saints: grant, we beseech Thee, that what we celebrate on earth, by the help of their prayers, we may obtain in the eternal joy. Through the same.

23. For the Quick and Dead, or, all Sorts and Conditions of Men.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everlasting God, Who art the Lord both of the quick and the dead, and hast mercy upon all, whom Thou foreknowest will be Thine by faith and works: we humbly beseech Thee; that they, for whom we have purposed to pour forth our prayers, both those whom this present world retaineth in the flesh, and those whom the world to come hath already received set free from the body, may by the pitifulness of Thy great goodness be counted worthy to obtain pardon of all their sins and everlasting joy. Through.

SECRET.

O GOD, to Whom alone is known the number of the elect who shall attain

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to heavenly felicity: grant, we beseech Thee; that the names both of all those whom we have undertaken to commend to Thee in prayer, and of all Thy faithful people, may ever remain written in the book of predestination to eternal blessedness. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE give Thee thanks, O Thou our King and our Priest, for the joy of Thy heavenly banquet, humbly beseeching Thy Majesty: that this most holy Sacrifice of Thy Body and Blood may not bring upon us guilt to our condemnation, but may be a saving intercession for our pardon; let it be the washing away of our wickednesses, the strength of the weak, a sure defence against all the perils of the world, and to the faithful both quick and dead the remission of all their sins. Through Thee, O Saviour of the world, the King of glory. Who.

24. For the Church, or, against the Adversaries of the Church.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, favourably to receive the prayers of Thy Church: that all adversities and errors being driven away, it may safely serve Thee in all freedom. Through.

SECRET.

PROTECT us, O Lord, while we serve before Thee in these Holy Mysteries: and grant that we being ever occupied with holy things, may offer unto Thee a worthy service both in body and mind. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord God, that Thou wilt never suffer those whom Thou dost make glad by the receiving of things divine, to be cast down by the dangers and perils of this mortal life. Through.

25. For Peace.

¶ *The same as in the Mass for Peace, page* LIII.

26. For the Peace and Unity of the Church.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who art supreme Unity, and very Love, grant unto Thy faithful people one heart, and one mind: that the body of Thy Church may flourish and grow through the concord of its members; and that as it is knit together in the confession of the truth, it may also be established by the strength of unity. Through. (*P.*)

Confession.

SECRET.

GRANT us, O Lord, the Spirit of peace and of grace while we offer unto Thee that healthful Sacrifice, by the Blood whereof Thou hast made peace between heaven and earth: that all Thy whole family may agree

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together to serve Thee with all their heart, and with an undivided will. Through the same. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that we who have now received the Sacrament of goodness, the sign of unity, and the bond of charity, may live in holiness and oneness of mind in Thy house, and may have peace which we may give, and may keep that peace which we receive. Through. (*P.*)

27. For all the Orders of the Church.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by Whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before Thee for all estates of men in Thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve Thee. Through. (*P. and R.*)

SECRET.

GRACIOUSLY hear us, O God, as with humble prayer we offer our Sacrifice unto Thee: that Thy grace being shed abroad upon all orders, each may faithfully fulfil the ministry committed unto him, that so Thy Church may ever appear glorious in the eyes of all. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who hast been pleased to make this wondrous Sacrament the fountain of manifold grace: grant, we beseech Thee; that from its fulness all the orders of Thy Church may receive the grace and help they need. Through. (*P.*)

28. For the Primate.

¶ *See First Sunday in Advent, page* 123, *the same as the Collects for the Bishop.*

29. For the Bishop.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to Thy servant *N.* our Bishop that he, by both preaching and doing such things as be rightful, may instruct the souls of those under him by an ensample of good works, and also receive the reward of an everlasting recompense from Thee, most loving Shepherd. Who livest.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably to receive our Gifts: and at all times and in all places mercifully protect Thy servant *N.* our Bishop, and the flock committed to his charge. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

LET this Holy Communion, O Lord, cleanse us from sin: and with Thy loving-kindness do Thou ever preserve thy servant *N.* our Bishop, and the flock committed to his charge. Through.

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30. For Bishops, and the Congregations committed to their charge.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who alone workest great marvels: send down upon Thy servants the Bishops, and all congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of Thy grace; and that they may truly please Thee, pour upon them the continual dew of Thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator Jesus Christ. Who . . . in the unity.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, favourably to look upon the Oblations of Thy servants: that what we devoutly celebrate in their behalf to the honour of Thy Name, they may inwardly perceive to the profit of their own salvation. Through.

Or:

O LORD, God of Hosts, favourably accept our Gifts, and hallow the shepherds and pastors of Thy sheep: that our adversary the devil being overcome by their faith and holiness, may not presume to touch or to hurt the Lord's flock. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, further with Thy continual protection those whom Thou dost refresh with the heavenly Gift: and grant, that they whom Thou dost not fail to cherish, may be made worthy of everlasting redemption. Through.

Or:

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to grant unto Thy family to be at peace with their rulers, by these Holy Things, which we have now received: that Thy people may both rejoice to do them honour, and may be made glad by their holy conversation; that so by the gift of Thy grace they who rule may be gentle, and they who are in subjection may be obedient. Through. (*P.*)

31. For a Priest himself.

COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast willed that I a sinner should stand at Thy sacred altar, and praise the might of Thy holy Name: grant me, I beseech Thee, through the Mystery of this Sacrament, the pardon of my sins; that I may be able worthily to minister before Thy Majesty. Through.

SECRET.

O GOD, Who ordainest that Thou shouldest be entreated by sinners, and that the sacrifice of a contrite heart should be offered to Thee: vouchsafe to accept this Sacrifice, which with these unworthy hands I offer; and that I myself may be an offering and a sacrifice unto Thee, mercifully grant; that

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by the shewing forth of this Mystery I may receive forgiveness of all my sins. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

INCLINE Thy pitiful ears, most merciful God, to my prayers: and through the Mystery of this divine Sacrament of the Flesh and Blood of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, which I unworthy have received; enlighten my heart by the grace of the Holy Ghost, that I may be able worthily to minister at Thy holy Mysteries, and love Thee with an everlasting love, and finally be a partaker of Thine eternal joys. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

32. Another for himself: (not Sarum).

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who art the Creator of all things, I humbly implore Thee: that, whilst I confess before the omnipotence of Thy Majesty that I Thy servant have grievously offended, Thou wouldest stretch forth unto me the right hand of Thy mercy; so that as I offer this Oblation to Thy loving-kindness for my sins, Thou, O most Merciful, wilt vouchsafe to absolve me from the wickedness which I have committed. Through.

SECRET.

O GOD of mercy, God of loving-kindness, and God of pardon: forgive, I beseech Thee, and have mercy upon me Thy servant; that Thou wouldest graciously be pleased to accept the Sacrifice, which I offer for my sins; and of Thy goodness and mercy and favour, pardon all the sins and vices which of my own frailty I have contracted; and grant me a place of repentance and fountain of tears, that so I may be able to receive from Thee the pardon of my offences. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who art the Saviour of all the living, and Who wouldest not the death of sinners, and hast no pleasure in the loss of them that die: I humbly beseech Thee, to grant me pardon of my offences, that I may weep for my trespasses, and hereafter trespass no more; so that when the last day and end of my life shall come, the Angel of holiness may receive me cleansed from all my sin. Through.

33. For those to be Ordained.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who art the Sanctifier, and Guardian of Thy Church, raise up in it, by Thy Holy Spirit, fit and faithful stewards of the Mysteries of Christ: that both by their ministry and by their exampie a Christian people may, through Thy protection, be guided into the way of salvation. Through the same . . . in the unity of the same. (*P.*)

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SECRET.

O GOD, Who didst command the disciples, as they ministered unto Thee, and fasted, to separate Saul and Barnabas for the work whereunto Thou hadst called them: mercifully assist, at this time, the prayers and fasting of Thy Church; and do Thou, Who knowest the hearts of all men, show whom Thou hast chosen for Thy ministry. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOOD Shepherd, Who didst give Thy life for Thy sheep, and Who dost quicken them by the food of Thy Body and Blood: fill with Thine own Spirit of love those whom Thou dost design to appoint as the keepers of Thy flock; that they may, with all readiness, spend and be spent for the salvation of Thy sheep. Who livest . . . in the unity of the same. (*P.*)

34. For the Grace of the Holy Ghost.

COLLECT.

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the help of Thy grace: and because without it we can do no good thing, let the gift therefore enable us both to think and to do those things which are well-pleasing unto Thee. Through. (*P.*)

SECRET.

LET these gifts, O Lord, obtain for us Thy mercy, which may so prevent us, that we may will; follow us that we may do; kindle the intention, whereby we may always ardently desire every good work; and give such good effect, so that we may be enabled to bring our works to a perfect end. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, govern the hearts of Thy faithful people: and that, by Thy gift, they may receive Thy good things, make them first of all to will that which is good. Through. (*P.*)

35. For Faith.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who art the everlasting truth and light, and Who hast ordained that faith should be the beginning of man's salvation, and the foundation of all righteousness: enlighten and confirm our hearts by Thy Holy Ghost; that we believing Thy Word, and confessing that which we believe, may receive the end of our faith, even the salvation of our souls. Through . . . in the unity of the same. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, have pity upon us, and increase our faith: for Thou never deniest the help of Thy loving-kindness to those to whom Thou dost give grace firmly to believe in Thee. Through. (*P.*)

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POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that we, who have now received from Thine Altar the Mystery of faith, may by the power of the same live by faith: and despising the things which are seen and which are temporal, teach us ever to contemplate those things which are not seen, and which are eternal. Through. (*P.*)

36. For Hope.

COLLECT.

O GOD, the Comforter of all that trust in Thee, pour into our hearts the grace of Christian hope: that we, by virtue thereof, looking for nought from ourselves, but for all things from Thy mercy, may continually work out our salvation with humble confidence. Through. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O GOD, Who never failest them that hope in Thee: grant us, by these holy Things which we now offer unto Thee, that the hope, which Thou hast given unto us by Thy word, may ever be to us as an anchor of the soul, sure and steadfast, whereby we may be ever held in safety and immoveable amid the storms of this life. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD of hope, Who in this Sacrament hast given unto us an earnest of Thy promises: fill us with all joy and peace in believing; that we abounding in hope, and in the power of the Holy Ghost, may ever manfully hasten forward to the good things which Thou hast promised unto us. Through . . . . in the unity of the same. (*P.*)

37. For Charity.

COLLECT.

GOD, Who makest all things to work together for good to them that love Thee: grant unto our hearts ever to keep unbroken our earnest affection for Thy love; that those good desires which by Thine inspiration we conceive, may never be changed by any temptation. Through. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O GOD, Who hast ordained that by loving Thee and our neighbour we should fulfil the whole law: favourably grant us this grace, through the Oblation of the Lamb without spot; that because in many things we offend, Thy love may abound in us, whereby we may be cleansed from our sins. Through the same. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who art the life of Thy faithful people, the glory of the humble, and the blessedness of the righteous, favourably accept our humble prayers: and grant, that the souls which thirst for Thy promises, may be filled with

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the abundance of Thy love. Through. (*P.*)

38. For Wisdom.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by Thy co-eternal Wisdom madest man, when he was not, and when he was lost didst mercifully make him anew: grant, we beseech Thee; that through the same Wisdom inspiring our breasts, we may love Thee with all our mind, and run to Thee with all our heart. Through.

SECRET.

O GOD, Who dost command us to ask of Thee that wisdom, which we need, nothing doubting: send it to us from Thy holy heaven; that it may be with us and work with us; and by the oblation of this Sacrifice do Thou prepare in our hearts a worthy habitation for it. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

BY this Sacrament, O Lord, let wisdom coming down upon us ever abide within us: that it may preserve us from the deceit of earthly wisdom, and teach us to suffer loss of temporal things, so that we may gain those that are eternal. Through. (*P.*)

39. For Patience.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by the patience of Thine Only-begotten Son hast broken in pieces the pride of the old enemy: grant to Thy faithful who are in trouble, we beseech Thee, worthily to remember those things which He hath endured for us; and after His example to bear all adversities with a quiet mind. Through the same.

SECRET.

WE offer Thee, O Lord, our gifts in memory of the Passion of Thine Only-begotten, and beseech Thee, that those things which we suffer for our sins, may by His merits be made our salvation. Who liveth. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who through this Sacrament preparest for us a strong comfort in all our tribulation: favourably grant, that as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so also our consolation may abound through Him. Who liveth. (*P.*)

40. Against evil Thoughts.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and most gracious God, favourably regard our prayers, and deliver our hearts from all temptation to evil thoughts: that we may become a worthy habitation of the Holy Ghost. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

SECRET.

WE offer unto Thee, O Lord God, these oblations for our salvation: praying that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to enlighten our

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souls by the grace of the Holy Ghost; so that by Thy loving-kindness we may be delivered from evil thoughts. Through . . . in the unity of the same. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

CLEANSE our hearts, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by this Sacrament which we have offered before Thy Majesty, from all temptations: that we may be made worthy of the grace of the Holy Ghost. Through . . . in the unity of the same. (*P.*)

41. For the Gift of Continence.

COLLECT.

INFLAME, O Lord, our reins and our heart with the fire of the Holy Ghost: that we may serve Thee with a chaste body, and please Thee with a clean heart. Through . . . in the unity of the same. (*R.*)

SECRET.

BREAK Thou, O Lord, the bonds of our sins: and that we may be able with perfect liberty and a pure mind to offer unto Thee the Sacrifice of Thanksgiving, do Thou give again unto us that which Thou didst bestow before, and save us now by pardon, whom Thou hast vouchsafed to save by grace. Through. (*R.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

HELP us, O Lord, Who art our helper and protector: and let our heart and flesh flourish again with the strength of purity, and with the freshness of chastity; that through this Sacrifice, which we have offered to Thy loving-kindness, we may be cleansed from all temptations. Through. (*R.*)

42. For the Gift of Tears and of Contrition.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and most tender God, Who broughtest a fountain of living water out of the rock for Thy thirsting people: bring forth from the hardness of our hearts the tears of true repentance; that we may worthily bewail our sins, and be deemed meet, by Thy mercy, to receive remission of all our offences. Through.

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord our God, favourably to regard this Oblation which, for our sins, we offer unto Thy Majesty: and bring forth from our eyes streams of tears, whereby we may quench the flames of fire we have deserved. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, our God, mercifully pour the grace of the Holy Ghost into our hearts: whereby we may be able with groanings and tears to wash away the stains of our sins, and so may obtain from Thee the gift of Thy pardon, which we earnestly desire. Through . . . in the unity of the same.

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43. For the Remission of Sins.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who castest out none, but of Thy gracious goodness art favourable unto sinners, howsoever great they be, when they repent: mercifully regard the prayers of us Thy humble servants, and enlighten our hearts; that we may have strength to fulfil Thy commandments. Through. (*R.*)

SECRET.

LET this present Sacrifice, O Lord, which we offer unto Thee for our transgressions, be unto Thee as an accepted gift; and grant that it may set forward the salvation both of quick and dead. Through. (*R.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O ALMIGHTY God, favourably hear the prayers of Thy family: and grant; that these Holy Things, which from Thee we have now received, may by the gift of Thy grace, be preserved undefiled within us. Through. (*R.*)

44. In time of Famine.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost chasten the bodies of Thy servants, that their souls may profit thereby: grant us so to wash away the sins, for the which we are afflicted with famine, with tears of true repentance; that as by our rebellion we have provoked Thy wrath, so by humble submission we may obtain Thy mercy. Through. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O GOD, Who dost both nourish the double nature of mankind with food, and also renew it by Thy Sacrament: grant, we beseech Thee, that neither body nor soul may lack its fitting support. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thy providence sustain with temporal nourishment, us whom Thou hast not disdained to feed with eternal Mysteries. Through. (*P.*)

45. For the Fruits of the Earth.

COLLECT.

POUR forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord our God, Thy blessing upon Thy people: that Thou shewing Thy loving-kindness, our land may give her increase; and grant that we may gather and use the same to the praise and glory of Thy Holy Name. Through. (*P.*)

SECRET.

FAVOURABLY regard, O Lord, the devout prayers of Thy people: and for the sake of these gifts, which of the fruits of the earth we do offer unto Thee, do Thou bestow upon us abundance of those same fruits. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O ALMIGHTY God, bestow upon Thy faithful

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people the fruits of the earth in fitting plenteousness: that being nourished by them in this life, they may grow by spiritual increase, and so may at last obtain the good things that are eternal. Through. (*P.*)

46. For Rain.

COLLECT.

O GOD, in Whom we live, and move, and have our being, grant unto us such moderate rain: that we having a sufficiency of the things that are necessary for this life present, may with greater faith seek after the things that are eternal. Through.

SECRET.

BE pleased, O Lord, we beseech Thee, with the Gifts we offer unto Thee: and grant unto us the timely help of sufficient rain. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who sendest rain upon the just and upon the unjust: we beseech Thee, that being loosed from our offences through these Sacraments, Thou wouldest of Thy bounty grant us the showers of rain which we have looked for; whereby both health and nourishment may be bestowed upon us. Through.

47. For fair Weather.

COLLECT.

GRACIOUSLY hear us, O Lord, as we call upon Thee, and send fair weather unto us Thy humble servants: that we who are justly punished for our sins, may be mercifully relieved by Thy goodness. Through.

SECRET.

HEAR, O Lord, our prayers, and accept the vows of Thy people: and command the overflowing rains to cease; and do Thou turn the scourge of this element to the effectual working of Thy mystery; so that they who rejoice that they are born again in the waters of regeneration, may rejoice in that they have been corrected by this chastisement. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, mercifully hear the prayers of Thy people: and by the virtue of this Sacrament let the quiet calm of the fair weather bring us the message of Thy peace; so that Thou Who dost chastise us when we are guilty, mayest spare us when we confess our sins. Through.

48. For those Travelling by Sea.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who didst bring our fathers through the Red Sea, and didst lead them through much water: we humbly entreat Thee, as we sing praise to Thy Name; that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to drive away from Thy servants travelling by sea all dangers and adversities, and so

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bring them to the haven where they would be. Through.

SECRET.

RECEIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the prayers and sacrifices of Thy people: and mercifully defend Thy servants, who are travelling by sea in Thy Name, from all things that are against them. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

WE, who are hallowed by the divine Mystery, O Lord, do humbly entreat Thy Majesty, that Thou wouldest of Thy love and compassion protect by the Wood of the holy Cross Thy servants, who are travelling by sea and who put their trust in Thee, from all perils and dangers. Through.

49. On the Anniversary of Baptism.

COLLECT.

BLESSED God, Who according to Thy great mercy hast begotten us again to a lively hope of an incorruptible heritage: grant that we may ever, as new-born babes, desire the sincere milk of the Word, that we may grow thereby. Through. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O GOD, by Whose unspeakable love we are called, and do become Thy sons: grant by the power of this Sacrifice, that we who have received the Spirit of adoption of sons in Baptism, may receive the promised blessing in our inheritance. Through . . . in the unity of the same. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, the faith which we pledged unto Thee in Baptism, we do now renew at Thine Altar, renouncing Satan, and steadfastly purposing to fulfil the law of Christ: grant that we, who have now received the earnest of that immortal life which Thou hast promised us; may ever increase more and more in that undefiled life, which we have promised to keep. Through. (*P.*)

50. For the Priest himself, specially on the Anniversary of his Ordination.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, graciously hearken unto my humble prayers, and make me Thy servant, whom Thou hast chosen, for no merits of mine own, but only of Thy bountiful goodness, to serve Thee in heavenly Mysteries, a worthy minister of Thy holy Altar; that the things which I utter with my voice, may be established by Thy sanctification. Through. (*P.*)

SECRET.

O GOD, according to Whose will the whole world doth run its course, favourably behold me, Thy servant, whom Thou hast been pleased to advance to the order of the priesthood: and that my service may be

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acceptable unto Thee, evermore of Thy mercy preserve Thy gifts within me. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, Who hast willed that I, a sinner, should stand to minister at Thy holy Altar, and should praise the power of Thy holy Name: by the mystery of this Sacrament mercifully grant me a clean heart, and renew a right spirit within me; that so I may worthily serve Thy divine Majesty. Through. (*P.*)

51. For Friends or Benefactors.

¶ *Use the singular number, if the following prayers are said for one person only.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who pourest into the hearts of Thy faithful people the gifts of charity by the grace of the Holy Ghost: grant unto Thy servants and handmaids for whom we entreat Thy mercy, health of mind and body; that they may love Thee with all their might, and with their whole affection follow those things which are well-pleasing unto Thee. Through . . . in the unity of the same. (*P.*)

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to have mercy upon Thy servants and handmaids, for whom we do offer this Sacrifice of Praise unto Thy Majesty: that by these holy Things; they may obtain Thy grace and heavenly benediction, and at length attain unto the glory of everlasting happiness. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, by this Sacrifice, to these Thy servants and handmaids, unto whom Thou hast given love towards us, the remission of sins, comfort in this life, and Thy continual guidance: whereby they may be able faithfully to serve Thee here, and at length be accounted worthy to attain to Thine everlasting mercies. Through. (*P.*)

52. For the Conversion of a Sinner.

COLLECT.

O MERCIFUL and gracious God, favourably hear the prayers which with sighing we do pour forth in Thy presence, for our perishing brother (*or* sister): that *he* being converted from the error of *his* ways, may be delivered from death; that so where sin hath abounded, grace may much more abound. Through. (*P.*)

SECRET.

SUFFER not, O Lord, a soul to perish for which Christ died: and as we do commemorate His death in this Sacrifice, grant unto Thy servant, (*or* handmaid,) by His grace, the spirit of repentance, and the remission of all *his* sins. Through the same. (*P.*)

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POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD Jesu Christ, Good Shepherd, Who dost feed with Thine own Body the sheep whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy Blood: mercifully seek Thy lost sheep; and bringing it back to the sheepfold, make it worthy to attain unto everlasting pastures. Who livest. (*P.*)

53. *For Penitents.*

COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto Thee: that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by Thy merciful pardon may be absolved. Through. (*P.*)

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, pour forth upon Thy servants the spirit of grace and of supplication: that looking upon Him, Whom they have pierced by their sins, even Jesus, lifted up on the Cross, they may truly mourn; and so may quickly be made whole, and live. Through the same. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to Thy servants, continually to take heed to the purifying of themselves by true repentance: and that they may be able to do this to good effect, let the grace of Thy visitation ever prevent and follow them. Through. (*P.*)

54. *For a Religious Order or Congregation, and specially on the Feasts of its Patron.*

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost both inspire and perfect every good design, direct Thy servants (*or* handmaids) in the way of everlasting salvation: and as they have left all and have dedicated themselves wholly unto Thee; grant that they, ever thinking on heavenly things, may truly serve Thee in the works of penance, in the spirit of poverty, and in humility of heart. Through. (*P.*)

SECRET.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, to hallow by these holy Things which we do offer unto Thee, Thy servants (*or* handmaids) whom Thou hast separated out of the world: that they may faithfully pay their vows unto Thee, and with sincerity of heart wholly serve Thy divine Majesty. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, that Thy servants (*or* handmaids) who are gathered together in Thy Name, and who partake of one Bread, may, being of one mind, consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: that so by their holy conversation, the good savour of Christ may be everywhere

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spread abroad. Through the same. (*P.*)

55. For Virgins consecrated to God.

COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost inhabit and art the keeper of the pure heart, grant unto Christian Virgins that they may understand the excellence of virginity, to love that which they understand, and faithfully to preserve that which they love: that hastening to meet the Bridegroom with burning lamps, they may be counted worthy to go in to His heavenly marriage. Through the same. (*P.*)

SECRET.

LET the Sacrifice of the Lamb without spot, which we offer unto Thee, O Lord, gain for Thy brides the grace to walk with humble feet in high places: that altogether denying themselves, they may be counted worthy to be offered with Christ, a Sacrifice to Thy divine Majesty. Through the same. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

GRANT, O Lord, unto Thy handmaids, by the Sacrament of Thy quickening Flesh, constant perseverance in their holy purpose among all the waverings of human weakness: that as they have received from Thee the grace of a good will, so they may owe to Thee their happy consummation and bliss. Who livest. (*P.*)

56. At the Consecration of Virgins.

The Mass is of the occurring day or feast; the Collects are said without any endings, and immediately after them are said the following.

COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to these Thine handmaids whom Thou hast been pleased to call to the profession of chastity the effectual accomplishment of the work they have begun: and that they may offer unto Thee a full and perfect service; grant that they may be counted worthy to bring this their beginning to a happy end. Through.

SECRET.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let these Oblations obtain for Thine handmaids, here present, perseverance in continual chastity: that when the door shall be opened at the coming of the great King, they may be counted worthy to enter into the heavenly kingdom with gladness. Through.

POSTCOMMUNION.

O GOD, Who dost make Thy habitation in the pure heart: look down on these Thine handmaids; and grant that those things which by continual mortification they do seek for, they may attain with the abundance of Thy consolation. Through.

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57. For Married Persons, specially on the Anniversary of their Wedding.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and ever-living God, Who hast knit Thy servants together in the covenant of wedlock: pour forth Thy blessings upon them; that agreeing together in unbroken love, they may serve Thee in all holy conversation, and may be counted worthy to be joined together in everlasting society in heaven. Through. (*P.*)

SECRET.

LET the offering of this Sacrifice, O God, obtain for Thy servants the healthful gifts of Thy grace; that they may take care to rule their house in all godliness, and may help one another to attain unto the everlasting heritage. Through. (*P.*)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O LORD, let the marriage be honourable, and the bed undefiled of those whom of twain Thou hast made one flesh, and whom Thou dost command to be one spirit: and by this heavenly Sacrament nourish them with the hope of everlasting fellowship. Through. (*P.*)

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